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Raw sewage creates 'crisis' in county

BY ED LEPOMA
(See related story page 3A)

After years of sticking their heads in the sand, county and civic leaders are laying the groundwork to ultimately stop the pollution of waterways and streams in Hancock County.

It's a race against time, and some think action might already be too late in coming.

Pansy Maddox, environmental supervisor with the state Department of Health's

southeast regional district office in Biloxi, says "Hancock County is in a crisis situation" because some citizens are dumping raw sewage directly into ditches and streams and the polluting has gone on for years. That could lead to a serious outbreak of cholera and hepatitis A on a massive scale, Maddox predicts.

Bruce Brackin, an epidemiologist, says for the 14 years he's worked for the Health

Department, Hancock, Harrison and Pearl River counties have lead the state in yearly outbreaks of Hepatitis A.

Just recently, concerned citizens in the Belle Isle Subdivision outside Pearlington, asked the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Environmental Quality and the state Health Department to step in and stop raw sewage being dumped daily into Belle Bayou, the

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DEQ official Pansy Maddox

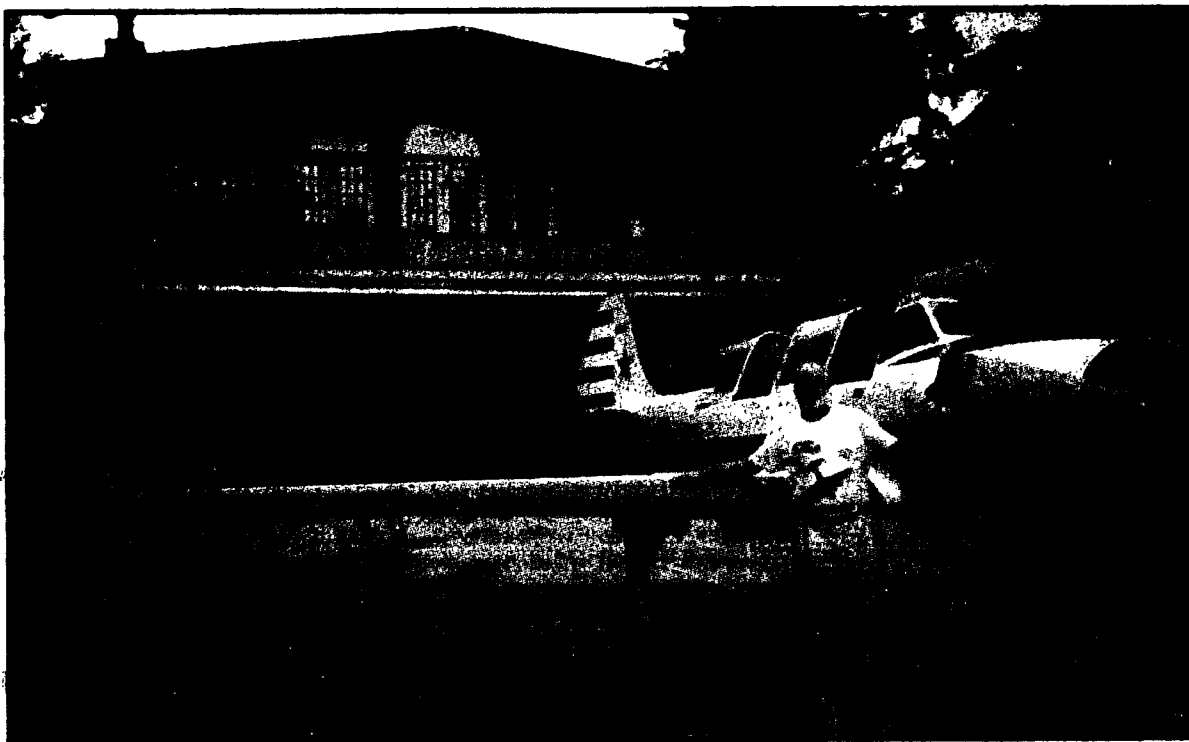
main waterway in the upscale subdivision.

In some cases, septic tanks are failing, but in other cases, residents don't even construct them, and dump their raw sewage directly into streams and

bayous.

Fish taken out of the water are bleeding or blistered, and the DEQ has recommended that no one should come into

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Home for pilot and plane

Mario Feola displays his Russian Yak against a backdrop of its hangar and the home he built above the hangar.

D'head pilot to fly warbird in show

BY WILLIAM ROBBINS

One of the more curious sights at Hancock County's Diamondhead these days is a glistening red-and-white airplane that looks like a lethal attack plane preserved from World War II, a two-seater with cockpits covered only by sliding plastic canopies.

It is, in fact, a Russian warplane known as a Yak, formerly a military trainer for advanced acrobatic flight, soon to be flown at an air show at Biloxi's Keesler Air Force Base by one of the more interesting members of a special community at Diamondhead. The all-day, civil air show is scheduled for Nov. 1.

The flyer is Mario Feola who with his wife, Charlotte, is a

member of a community of flying families attracted by Diamondhead's airport and the amenities the variegated resort development provides for them. The couple, like their friends and neighbors Charlie Horton, who flies in air races, and Marty Duke, who will also be exhibiting at the air show, live along an air strip branching out from the airport's runway.

The Feolas, like most of their neighbors, own their own airplanes — the Feolas own two — which in much the same way that people elsewhere garage their cars, these pilots house in hangars built in their own yards.

PILOT—PAGE 10A

Grocery store hub of Pearlington

Cuevas: from bolts to videos

BY BETSY GAGNET

If you're in Pearlington and need anything from a hot lunch to directions to someone's house, just pull into Cuevas'.

The sign above the store says Cuevas Grocery Hardware Gas and Deli, but there's even more than that inside.

Owned by Linda and Ronald Cuevas, the store is located in the heart of Pearlington and sells everything from nuts and bolts to videos.

"We carry all the basics you have to have, and some of the nice-to-have stuff," said Ronald Cuevas. "We're the only place between Slidell and Wave-

"We carry all the basics you have to have, and some of the nice-to-have stuff..."

Ronald Cuevas

land."

Aisles in the store are crammed with everything from canned goods to diapers to red wine vinegar. The far right of the store is devoted to hardware and videos and the back is the deli counter, a main attraction for many of the patrons.

The deli is a big part of the business, and serves po-boys and sandwiches in addition to hot lunch specials.

Although the store used to be a hot spot for employees from nearby Port Bienville Industrial Park, many employees now don't have time to travel to the store for lunch, so Cuevas is bringing lunch to them.

Each day he loads up a catering trailer and heads to two dif-

CUEVAS—PAGE 10A



Joyce Wall checks out a customer at Cuevas' Grocery in Pearlington. The store is located in the heart of Pearlington and serves up everything from a hot meal to nuts and bolts to directions to lost motorists. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

Town was economic hub

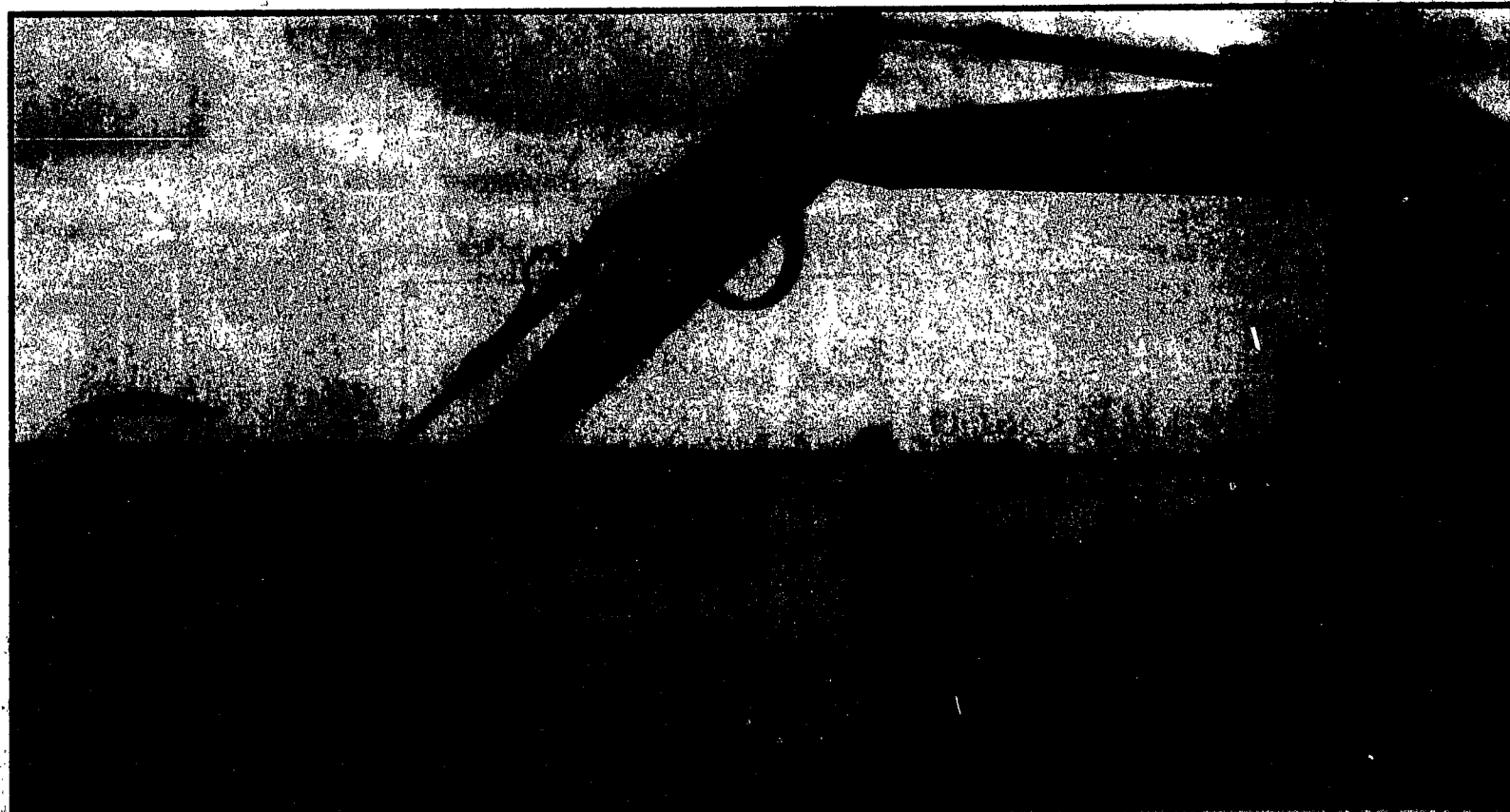
BY BETSY GAGNET

Pearlington is one of the oldest communities in southern Mississippi and for many years was a major commercial center.

The town's history is rooted in the cotton and timber industries which for many years created great prosperity in the area.

A name firmly imbedded in the history of Pearlington is Simon Favre, a Frenchman, and

TOWN—PAGE 10A



Seawall repairs

A portion of the seawall and roadway is being repaired along Beach Boulevard at Cedar Point. The \$300,000 project is a joint

venture of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Hancock County Board of Supervisors. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

OBITUARIES

FRANK C. ASHWORTH JR.
JAMES O. CONDE
PETER GOODRICKE
WILLIAM E. KNOWLES SR.
RUTH ALICE MACE
NORMA E. MARRS
ETHEL C. MURRAY
HENRY A. THOMASICH
HATTIE L. WALKER

FRANK C. ASHWORTH JR.
 Frank C. Ashworth Jr., 46, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, Sept. 25, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mr. Ashworth was a shipfitter.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank Ashworth Sr., and Mary Delores Thomas Ashworth; and a brother, Allen Gene Ashworth.

Survivors include a son, Mike Ashworth; a daughter, Laura Ashworth, both of Tallahassee, Fla.; and a brother, Albert Ashworth of Bay St. Louis.

Services were conducted Saturday in Edmond Fahey Funeral Home Chapel in Bay St. Louis. Burial was private.

JAMES O. CONDE

James O. Conde, 75, a longtime resident of Biloxi, died Sept. 23, 1997.

Ms. Conde was a Catholic and was retired from the U.S. Air Force after more than 20 years of service. He was a supervisor for the Radio Operator Course at Keesler Air Base until his retirement in late 1960. He was a longtime member of the Amateur Radio Relay League and an active radio amateur operator for almost 50 years. He owned and operated Conde's Rubber Stamp and Sign Company in Biloxi for a number of years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Antonio Conde and Lillian Conde; a brother, Mike Conde; and a grandson, Johnny Wayne Ritter Jr.

Survivors include his wife, Moline Conde of Biloxi; two sons, James Conde Jr. of Waco, Texas; and Johnny Conde of Saucier; two daughters, Betty Jean Wright of Ocean Springs and Darlene Walters of Diamondhead; a sister, Dorinda Broussard of New Iberia, La.; eight grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Mr. Conde has donated his body to the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson.

The family requests donations to the American Kidney Fund, 7315 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814.

Rieman Memorial Funeral Home in Biloxi was in charge of local arrangements.

PETER GOODRICKE

Peter Goodricke, 72, died Sept. 19, 1997, in Bay St. Louis. He was a resident of Disley Stockport, England.

He was sent from Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis to F.P. Astley Funeral Home in Manchester, England for services and burial.

WILLIAM E. KNOWLES SR.
 William Edward Knowles Sr., CM Sgt., USAF Ret., 72 of Pass Christian, died Friday, Sept. 26, 1997, in Biloxi.

Mr. Knowles was born in McDavid, FL, and had been a resident of the Coast since 1971. He was a member of the USAF and served in Korea and Vietnam. He retired after 30 years of service.

He was a member of the VFW, DAV and St. Williams Catholic Church in Pass Christian.

Survivors include his wife, Janie C. Knowles of Pass Christian; son and daughter-in-law William E. Knowles Jr., and Jane L. Knowles of Gulfport; daughters and son-in-law, Brenda Gail and David Gibson and Tanya Lee McGuire, all of Pass Christian; a brother, Eugene Knowles; a sister, Minnie Johnson, both of Bayou La Batre, AL; grandchildren, Liberty Ann Bell, David Anthony Bell, Lacey McGuire, Ryan Christopher Knowles, Randi Lee Word, Benie K. Knowles, Kody M. Knowles, Kris Knowles, Leah McGuire and Dale Ladner; and a special friend,

Correction

The next regular meeting of the Hancock County Solid Waste District is scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, not Oct. 8. On Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 6 p.m., the District will meet at the Depot in Bay St. Louis with elected officials of the two cities and Hancock County Supervisors to try and determine whether to revive a landfill at Granddew or continue the search for land in the hinterland.

Billy Chevis.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight (Sunday) from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Williams Catholic Church in Pass Christian with recitation of the rosary at 8 p.m. A mass of christian burial will be at 1 p.m. Monday at St. Williams Catholic Church in Pass Christian. Burial will be in Biloxi National Cemetery with full Military honors.

Rieman Funeral Home in Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.

RUTH ALICE MACE

Mrs. Ruth Alice Mace, 80, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Sept. 25, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Mace was a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and a former resident of Missouri, Texas, California, Oregon and Kansas prior to moving to the Coast. She was retired from the Oregon State School for the Blind in Salem, Ore.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Joseph A. Linn, John E. Shirley and Kenneth Mace.

Survivors include three daughters, Bonnie S. Shirley of Witter, Calif., Theresa Shirley Caffee of Orangevale, Calif., and Shirley Carpenter of Pass Christian; two sons, Joseph P. Shirley of El Sobrante, Calif., and Michael S. Shirley of Whittier, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. today (Sunday) at Rieman Funeral Home Chapel in Long Beach. Burial will be in Belle Pass Cemetery in Woodburn, Ore.

The family prefers memorials to the Gulf Coast Society for Retarded Citizens, P.O. Box 6651, Gulfport, MS 39506.

NORMA E. MARRS

Norma E. Marrs, 62, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 1997, in Gulfport.

Miss Marrs was a Catholic and a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. She was a member of the Bay-Waveland Garden Club, Hancock County Tourist and Gaming Association, Hancock County Historical Society, Chamber of Commerce, Bay St. Louis Business Association, Bay St. Louis Little Theater, Hancock County Humane Society, Hancock County Exchange Club, Founders Club, National Federation of Independent Business, Ocean Springs Chamber and Hope Haven sponsor. She published the Bay-Waveland Telephone Directory since 1977, the Gautier-Ocean Springs Directory since 1987 and What's Happening in Bay St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ralph H. Marrs and Glennie Marrs Hepp.

Mass was celebrated Saturday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis. Burial was in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

ETHEL C. MURRAY

Ethel C. Murray, 87, of Biloxi, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 1997, in Biloxi.

Mrs. Murray was born in Bay St. Louis but lived in Biloxi most of her life. She was a lifelong member of the Nativity BVM Cathedral and attended Sacred Heart schools. Mrs.

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Murray was an accomplished seamstress, and she was an active member of the Biloxi Senior Citizens where she taught classes in macrame, crochet and ceramics. In 1973 she was crowned Senior Citizen of the Year.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph L. Murray.

Survivors include two sons, Joseph W. Murray of Biloxi and Timmy I. Murray of dTerville; a daughter, Pat Richardson of Ocean Springs; a brother, Edward Kingston of Pasadena, Texas; two sisters, Lillian Drucker of Kenner, La., and Mildred Woodruff of Pensacola, Fla.; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted Saturday at Rieman Memorial Funeral Home in Biloxi. Burial was in Biloxi City Cemetery.

HENRY A. THOMASICH

Henry A. Tomasich, 75, of Jasper, Ark., died Friday, Sept. 19, 1997 in Jasper.

Mr. Tomasich was a native of Bay St. Louis. He was retired from the U.N. Navy after serving from 1940-1960, 10 of those years in submarines. He was active in the American Legion and Submarine Veterans of WWII.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Warren Joseph Tomasich and Agnes (Duplain) Tomasich.

Survivors include is wife, Joyce Tomasich of Jasper; two sons, Kenneth R. Tomasich of Boxley, Ark.; and Ronald D. Tomasich of Russellville, Ark.; two brothers, Edmond A. Tomasich and Gerald A. Tomasich, both of Bay St. Louis; a grandchild and a great-grandchild.

Services were conducted Sept. 22 in Jasper United Methodist Church. Burial was in Jasper Cemetery.

Christeson Funeral Home in Harrison, Ark. was in charge of arrangements.

HATTIE L. WALKER

Mrs. Hattie L. Walker, 53, of Pass Christian, died Sept. 21, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Walker was a native of Pearl River County and had lived in Pass Christian for many years. She was a former member of New Heaven Baptist Church in Carriere and a member of Sharon Baptist church in Long Beach. She was a missionary worker for eight years.



In Memoriam

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 of
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She was preceded in death by her parents, Adolph Harrell and Gladys Kelly Harrell.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Walker of Pass Christian; four sons, Henry Henderson and John Darby, both of Pass Christian, David Darby of Gulfport and Ricky Harrell of Sarasota, Fla.; a daughter, Patricia Darby of Pass Christian; four sisters, Arnette Walton and Bernice Richardson, both of Carriere, Charlie Green of Spring Lake, N.C., and Arville Harrell of San Diego; two brothers, Ackin Harrell and Lester Harrell, both of Carriere; and 16 grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at First Missionary Baptist Church in Pass Christian. Burial was in Baptist Cemetery in Pass Christian. Lockett-Williams Mortuary in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

Library's story hour

"Humpty Dumpty and Eggs" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 a.m.

Green Eggs and Ham, *The Mouse Family* and *The Bedtime Book of 365 Nursery Rhymes* are books to be read. Children will receive a color sheet.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately one hour.

The Kiln Library hosts a story hour every other Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For individual branch story hour information, contact David Woodburn, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Public Library, 467-5282; Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library, 255-1724.

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Subdivision not yet posted

BY ED LEPOMA

More than a month after it was determined that a bayou in Belle Isle subdivision was unfit for recreational activities, no signs have been posted.

And, exactly who has the responsibility for issuing a warning to boaters and fishermen is anybody's guess.

After complaints from two residents, the state Department of Environmental Quality tested the waters of Belle Bayou, and it was reported that the fecal coliform count (from raw sewage being dumped into the area) was so high that DEQ "could not recommend that anyone come into direct prolonged contact with this water."

Hancock County Supervisors asked the state Health Department by resolution to post the area, but Pansy Maddox, the department's environmental supervisor, says that action should be taken by supervisors.

"We are an enforcement agency," said Maddox. "We en-

force the laws, and Hancock County currently has a very weak wastewater law in effect.

Maddox said the Health Department has authority "only to regulate individual sewerage disposal systems. We don't have the authority to regulate activities in recreational waters," she said.

"The Board is the governing body, and it's their responsibility to warn residents of any dangers to their health."

Ricky Boggin, DEQ's Environmental Bureau Chief in Jackson, said the tests conducted at Belle Isle were insufficient to determine the extent of the pollution.

"The tests were very limited to three or four samples," said Boggin. "In order to make any kind of determination, we would have to develop a larger data base," he said.

Maddox said supervisors have the authority to post the area, and the Health Department would endorse the closing in a letter, if supervisors made the request.

She pointed out the outbreak of cholera last year at Flint Creek Park outside of Wiggins in Stone County.

"The people who manage the park decided to close it and post it after people started getting sick," said Maddox.

Taylor announces grant

Congressman Gene Taylor announced the awarding of a \$859,500 grant for the Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport.

According to Taylor, "the grant will be used to rehabilitate runway and taxiway lighting systems that are at the end of their useful lives and are constantly in need of repair."

"I am very pleased that the Gulfport-Biloxi Airport Authority has received this award. It will further enhance the quality of this facility and will also attract more commercial air commerce to the area," said Taylor.



New president

Joe Temples, left, is the new president of the Hancock County Exchange Club. He replaces Sue Donnelly, right, who recently resigned.

Proposals selected for program

The Mission to Planet Earth (MTPE) Commercial Remote Sensing Program at the John C. Stennis Space Center has selected 10 proposals for negotiations leading to awards of cooperative agreements. A cooperative agreement is an arrangement between NASA and the selected companies to work together on a project.

In all, 19 proposals were submitted in response to the Earth Observations Commercial Applications Program (EOCAP) solicitation.

This solicitation explored new ways NASA could do business with U.S. companies to reduce costs and extend the benefits of NASA's remote sensing science and technology programs. It requested short proposals that could be modified after the agreement award. The modifications will incorporate new information from market research of the latest customer needs and expectations to help accomplish the project goals.

Stennis Space Center is the lead center for commercial remote sensing within NASA's Mission to Planet Earth enterprise, a long-term science research program designed to study Earth's land, air, oceans, ice and life as a total system.

Remote sensing uses either sensors in space or sensors on airplanes to look at the Earth. Information from these sensors is used to produce pictures that can be used to produce current maps. Either natural or human-made features on Earth's surface as small as three feet can be observed by some sensors.

A further requirement of the solicitation was the formation of companies, data, producers and customers into an alliance that is beneficial to all involved.

Workshops extended for Waveland mural

The workshops for Waveland residents to help create the City Hall mosaic have been extended.

Waveland residents who have been unable to attend previous workshops will have the opportunity to attend workshops to create small tile designs for the mural on Thursday Oct. 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m., or Saturday Oct. 4, 9:30-11:30 a.m..

To register for either workshop call project director Elizabeth Veglia at 467-0432 and leave a message designating the date, number of people attending and phone number.

Workshops are held in the meeting room next to City Hall on Coleman Avenue which is identified by an "Art is Coming to Waveland" banner. Look for the progress of the mural on the front of City Hall.

Casting call

Bay St. Louis Little Theater is holding auditions for "A Tuna Christmas" on Saturday, Oct. 4 and Sunday, Oct. 5 at 3 p.m. at the playhouse, 301 Boardman Ave.

The comedy, a sequel to the hit, "Greater Tuna," has parts for 12 men and 10 women, ages teens to sixties.

Production dates are Dec. 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14. For more information, call director Ted Stechmann at 467-4118 after 7 p.m.

parties. The alliance is expected to have two specific results: early customer guidance in product design and development; and market education which will lead to product acceptance.

This new approach to doing business is expected to result in customer involvement in the development of products which will result in a decrease in time from concept to products for sale in the marketplace. To accomplish the 10 projects, NASA will provide approximately \$3.2 million, and the selected companies will provide the equivalent of \$5.5 million in cash and resources.

The individual projects will vary in duration, but all are scheduled to be completed within 18 months. The ten proposals selected for negotiation leading to the award of cooperative agreements are:

AERIS, Inc., Great Falls, Va., "Proposal for an AERIS Business Alliance Pilot Project"

BSB Electronic Charts, Bangor, Maine, "Development of Photo Chart CD-ROM Products"

Earth Satellite Corporation, Rockville, Md., "Subsurface Regional Validation and Visualization — The Virtual Field Trip"

EarthWatch, Inc., Longmont, Colo., "High Resolution Image Products for Power, Water and Parcel Management"

EnerQuest Systems Inc., Golden, Colo., "Digital Airborne Topographic Imaging for the Waste Industry"

GenCorp Aerojet, Azusa, Calif., "High Spatial and Temporal Resolution Weather Data Products for Aviation Route Planning and General Media Visualizations"

NBC News & Information, Washington, D.C., "NBC News and Information: Investigation of Local and Network News Usage of High Resolution Spatial Remote Sensing Data Imagery"

Ocean Imaging Corporation, Solana Beach, Calif., "Commer-

cial Applications of Remotely Sensed Imagery for Bathymetry Classification"

Pacific Meridian Resources, Emeryville, Calif., "Commercial Strategies for Utilizing High Resolution Satellite Imagery in Fire Management"

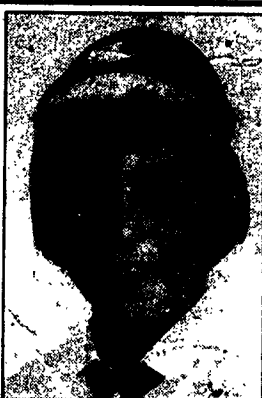
Space Imaging EOSAT, Thornton, Colo., "Spatial Evidence: A Remote Sensing Perspective"

The role of the Commercial Remote Sensing Program is to accelerate the development of a commercial remote sensing industry that can contribute to long-term Mission To Planet Earth strategic goals, including the transfer of technology and information generated by the enterprise to industry.

EOCAP is one of the many programs through which NASA responds to various industry requests such as:

• Assisting in identifying potential government and commercial market requirements for new remote sensing technology products.

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TOO MANY COOKS IN THE KITCHEN SPOIL THE SOUP



"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

On Friday, Oct. 3, A Place of Art VI will sponsor a Patron's Party & Awards Reception.

The event is to be held at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot, which is becoming a very popular gathering place. The hours will be from 7 to 10 p.m.

There is a donation of \$25 per person. A silent auction will be held, too.

Tickets will be available at the door for the Patrons Party.

Featured artist will be Andrea Loiacano, a native of Bay St. Louis.

There will also be works of other local artists on display.

A free display will be on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 4 and 5, starting at 10 a.m. for the general public at the Bay Depot.

We have some very talented artists in our area, and this will be a good time to view their works. I am told some of the art will be available for sale.

Another big event begins in Bay St. Louis on Friday, and that is the annual Our Lady Academy's International Food Festival.

The festival runs Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Events begin at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, 11 a.m. on Saturday; and Sunday from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The festival will be held on the grounds on Beach Boulevard next to Our Lady Academy.

The International Food Festival offers a wide variety of foods, and once again John "Chappy" Chapman, chef and owner of Chappy's Seafood Restaurant in Long Beach will host a booth.

I have been told Chappy will not reveal his menu until the festival begins.

Such famous foods as Oriental, Greek, German, Mexican, Italian, Seafood, American, and Cajun will be available at the festival.

The Food Fest began several years ago as a fund-raising event for Our Lady Academy.

Catholic schools, open to anyone who chooses, usually emphasize fund raising to minimize cost to parents.

The Food Fest has really grown over the years and is organized, orchestrated and operated by an all-volunteer group of teachers, parents and friends.

There will even be on-site camper hookups available to out-of-town visitors.

Admission is free, and there will be live entertainment, arts and crafts, booths, a funland for children and much more.

I hope to see at the Food Fest next weekend.

As many of you know, Casino Magic Bay St. Louis is celebrating its 5th anniversary this month.

On Tuesday night, prize fights will be televised nationally from the Magic Dome, and Waveland Mayor John Mason reports that he will be singing the National Anthem.

Having the fights televised from Casino Magic really has placed our area on the map.

Bay St. Louis is now known across the country. You may want to attend the Tuesday night fights at Casino Magic or watch them on national television.

A free giant fireworks display is scheduled for 10 p.m. Tuesday night too.

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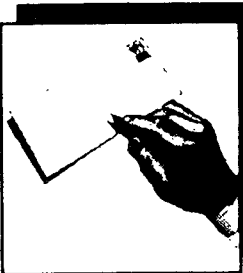
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Goodwill Coast's leading disabilities employer

Dear Editor:

Did you know? Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi is the largest employer of people with disabilities and other barriers to employment on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Your local Goodwill now employs more than 200 people who depend on donations of clothing, furniture, toys and other household items to earn their paycheck each week.

This year, as you do your fall cleaning, please remember the less fortunate and donate those unwanted items to Goodwill. Goodwill is about people help-

ing people.

Donation centers are located in the Winn-Dixie shopping center in Orange Grove; on Auto-Mall Parkway in d'Iberville; on Popps Ferry Road in Biloxi and on Hwy. 90 in the Wal-Mart shopping center in Pascagoula.

We also gladly accept donations at all our retail stores. The Bay St. Louis Goodwill retail store is located at 611 Hwy. 90, Bay Mall.

Thanking you in advance.
Sincerely,
Bob Campbell
Director of Used Goods

Taylor announces \$7.6 million Navy contract

The U.S. Navy has awarded a \$7,610,000 contract to Tilley Constructors and Engineers Inc. in Gulfport for work at the Naval Research laboratory at Stennis Space Center in Hancock County, announced South Mississippi Congressman Gene Taylor.

Taylor said the award provides for a state-of-the-art lab for Navy scientists a new building due to the Navy's growth at Stennis.

"I am pleased to see even more expansion of the Navy at Stennis," said Taylor, "I will continue to work to ensure that our opportunities grow and that the Navy maintains a strong presence at Stennis."

Earlier this year Taylor announced two other projects that will add to the Navy's presence at Stennis, the location of a Navy Personnel Human Resource regional office and the Navy's Special Boat Unit Project.

ASK THE V.A.

By Donald Mauffray
Veterans Service Officer

Veterans battle budget

America's veterans could fall victim to pork barrel politics if lawmakers vote to increase spending for local transportation projects that could mean deep budget cuts for veterans health care and other programs, warned the Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

"Veterans programs already face \$2 billion in cuts over the next five years under the balanced budget deal," said DAV National Commander Harry R. McDonald Jr. "Now some in Congress want to make matters worse with a reckless increase in spending for highways beyond what's called for in the federal budget."

It is issue is legislation (HR 2400) to exceed the budget agreement's authorization for highway and mass transit spending by more than \$34 billion over the next five years. The increased spending would have to be offset by reductions in funding for other discretionary programs, including veterans health care.

HR 2400 was introduced Sept. 4 by House Transportation Committee Chairman Bud Shuster (R-PA) with the support of committee ranking member James Oberstar (D-MN).

"Lawmakers will find it tempting to vote for a bill that would 'bring home the bacon' with politically popular local highway construction projects, but busting the budget and forsaking America's veterans is unconscionable," said McDonald.

"We did not risk our lives and health for America only to find that, in our day of need, the health care we have earned (and repeatedly promised over the years) is threatened by pork barrel politics."

"It would be an absolute disgrace for our elected representatives in Washington to abandon this nation's sacred obligation to provide sufficient federal funding — each year — to cover the cost of health care and other programs for our nation's sick and disabled veterans," he said.

The million-member disabled American Veterans, a non-profit organization founded in 1920 and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1932, is dedicated to one, single purpose: building better lives for our nation's disabled veterans and their families.

This is a DAV news release of Sept. 12 submitted by DAV member Hugh Sanford of local DAV Chapter 50.

EVERYDAY LIVING

By Traci M. Wimmer-Smith

Supporting schools

It's that time again, back to school. Throughout the United States children are heading back to the classroom. The sales are everywhere. Stores are cashing in on this regular occurrence. Pens, pencils, paper, backpacks, shoes, clothing, etc. can all be found on sale.

I even ran across a grocery store encouraging us to buy food for back to school. What didn't we feed them during the summer? I know it's just a tactic to get some of our money, but in one light it is ridiculous, isn't it? I fed my kids all summer long.

We have become a nation that sends children into the school year with a sigh of relief. Often I overhear parents stating how they can't wait for their children to go back to school. I don't quite understand this relief. I personally don't look forward to sending my children off to school each year.

Just getting a child to the stage of self sufficiency is hard work, teaching them how to feed, dress, walk, talk and follow directions takes countless hours of work from parents. Then we are supposed to send them to teachers to enjoy this self sufficiency. Education is very important, and I know that the quality of the education has great influence over all children, as did our parenting in the first five years of their lives.

So is that it? Do we send them off to school and let the educational system teach from here on out? Do we relinquish all responsibility for them when it comes to education? I don't think so! We as parents have the responsibility to see that the education our children receive is the very best available.

We must watch over the education our children receive and make sure the quality is the very best. As parents we need to form a partnership with the school system. We need to be involved in the decisions, decisions that will influence the curriculum. We need to be involved in the way the budget is allocated for our schools, and we need to set standards, high standards for the teachers and administrators of the schools.

Schools are funded by our tax dollars, and with the passage of the two recent bond issues to build new schools in our community it is evident that the community is aware of the overcrowding in the schools and the cost of a quality education. The passage of the bonds is not enough. While building new schools to alleviate overcrowding is a terrific start, organization and quality leadership will

be the foundation to our children's education.

Parents need to take the lead and stand up for what is best for all the children by participating in the Parent/Teacher Organizations, running for school boards and forming strong relationships with the administration and teachers in our children's school.

How many hours did you spend in your child's classroom last year? I hope you are saying, "A lot!" How many? Where you in there once a week? Once every two weeks? Did you attend open house? Do you even know what your child's teacher looks like?

Statistics tell us that very few parents participate in their children's education. A very sad fact. Statistics also reveal that the more a parent participates the greater success a child has in his/her education.

We role model for our children what we think is important. When we participate in their education we are sending the message that they count, and their education is important. By participating in the education of your child you are more in touch with the environment your child is surrounded by daily.

When we are in the classroom our eyes are opened up to the challenge the teachers have to coordinate 20 some odd children. We can learn discipline techniques from good educators. While in the classroom you can observe normal and not so normal behavior of children close in age to your child.

You can gauge the behaviors and actions of your child with the other kids in the room and see just how typical your child is. Most children will love the fact that you are there, and you can use the time to build a better relationship.

Go out and get involved in your children's education, become a room parent, a tutor to a child who is struggling with one subject or another, or be a part of the leadership in your child's school.

Find a place where you can make a difference in the school and volunteer. You will be rewarded more than you know. Your child will benefit, and the school will provide a better education to all the children in attendance.

Take good care of one another.

(Traci M. Wimmer-Smith is a free lance writer living in Diamondhead.)

Letters Policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste.

Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the Letters to the Editor columns.

—Ellis Cuevas, publisher

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Rayner Timothy, expired tag, fined \$36.50; driving license suspended, fined \$248.50.
 Jackson Carl Philip, speeding. Fined \$72.
 Gipson David T., expired tag. Fined \$51.
 Anderson Roxanne R., speeding. Fined \$2.
 Gay Stephen D., speeding, fined \$52; careless driving, fined \$52.
 Cruz Eutiquio, speeding, fined \$72; no drivers license, fined \$52.
 Foster Keven R., speeding. Fined \$92.
 McCleod Jason S., speeding. Fined \$72.
 Corona Richard M., speeding. Fined \$52.
 Spiers Douglas R., speeding, fined \$52; expired sticker, fined \$37.
 Acker Walter Jr., drivers license violation. Fined \$52.
 Pursley James Thomas Jr., driving without headlight. Fined \$52.
 Spiers Douglas R., expired sticker. Fined \$37.
 Scott Angela M., speeding. Fined \$52.
 Brady William G., expired sticker. Fined \$37.
 Simmons Billie J., expired sticker. Fined \$37.
 Dear Jonathan E., to counts State Tax Commission violation, fined \$224.
 Clark Desi R., expired sticker. Fined \$43.
 Noone Gerald R. II, speeding, fined \$62; driving license suspended, fined \$233.
 Spiers Douglas R. Sr., driving license suspended. Fined \$233.
 Portrey James J., speeding, fined \$122; expired sticker, fined \$43; seatbelt violation, fined \$25.
 Landry Stephen J., speeding. Fined \$82.
 Carter Christopher G., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Green Irvin III, speeding. Fined \$43.
 Mauricio Juan, careless driving. Affidavit withdrawn.
 McDowell Michael L., no drivers license. Fined \$58.
 Montiel Larry, DUI first offense, fined \$83; careless driving, not guilty; seatbelt violation, not guilty.
 Moran Tamara L., seatbelt violation. Fined \$25.
 Blackwell Michael C., speeding, fined \$88; no tag, fined \$93.50.
 Wartmann Stephen P., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Mills Donna M., follow too close, fined \$68; seatbelt violation, fined \$25.
 Huynh Thuyhong, expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Moran Barry Wayne, expired tag. Fined \$93.50.
 Burton Victor R., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Martin Melissa A., speeding. Affidavit withdrawn.
 Martin Gene, DUI 1st offense, guilty, time served in jail; no drivers license, guilty, time served in jail.
 Haynes Teddy, speeding. Affidavit withdrawn.
 Stefano David D., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Merritt Doris R., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Morel Kevin D., no sticker. Fined \$49.
 Weidie Analaura, failed to yield right-of-way. Fined \$68.
 Ladner Edgar M. III, speeding, fined \$68; expired tag, fined \$93.50; expired sticker, fined \$49.
 Dinero Cleto W., speeding. Fined \$143.
 Hartson Leslie G., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Martin Denise K., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Lumpkin Doris, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Fleming Ruth, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Rainey Scotty P., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Hawkins Charles E. Jr., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Stevens Darryl N., speeding. Fined \$128.
 Thomas Donovan F., follow too close. Fined \$68.
 Brown Mark A., failed to yield right-of-way. Fined \$68.
 Hoffman Donna B., failed to yield right-of-way. Fined \$68.
 Gilbert Richard J., speeding, fined \$68; driving license suspended, fined \$239.
 Brown Carvello, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Hoda Jana L., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Myers Christy L., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Jones Amela D., no drivers license. Fined \$64.
 Green Glover, no drivers license. Fined \$64.
 Smith Leanna S., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Cardinale Melissa M., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Porter Tanya J., ran stop sign. Fined \$68.
 Davis Mark H., tint law violation. Fined \$64.
 Ladner Tony W., speeding. Fined \$68.

Stroud Donnie M., driving license suspended. Fined \$239.
 Lewis Kenneth J., no drivers license. Fined \$64.
 Norris James E., no tag. Fined \$93.50.
 Simmons Darrin B., expired tag, fined \$93.50; driving license suspended, fined \$239.
 Caspolich Renee M., expired tag. Fined \$93.50.
 McVey Pamela L., expired tag. Fined \$72.
 Williams Lara Michelle, improper lane usage; fined \$68; no drivers license, fined \$64.
 McColley Michael A., tag violation. Fined \$93.50.
 Lenain Nicholas A., no tag. Fined \$93.50.
 Owens Terry Anthony, driving license suspended. Fined \$239.
 Harvey Robert J., improper lane usage, fined \$68; expired drivers license, fined \$64.
 Gandy Rickey J., State Tax Commission violation. Fined \$133.50.
 Bankston Scot, Public Service Commission. Fined \$108.50.
 Ladner Reginald A., expired sticker. Fined \$43.
 Landrum Pamela L., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 LeBlanc Ivey J. Jr., no sticker. Fined \$49.
 Stroud Charles S., no sticker. Fined \$49.
 Luck Travis P., expired drivers license. Fined \$64.
 Page Robert E., expired sticker, fined \$49; no drivers license, fined \$64.
 Gibson Khanna T., speeding, fined \$108; seatbelt violation, fined \$25.
 Hypolite Kevin J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Newkirk Evelyn J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 McLemore Kennis R., speeding. Fined \$68.
 McDaniel Jeremy P., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Green Irvin E. III, speeding. Fined \$43.
 Newkirk Thomas, no sticker. Fined \$49.
 Landry Stephen J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Necaize Sherman R. Jr., speeding \$42.
 Morgan Robert D., expired tax. Fined \$77.
 Stechmann Jessica C., no child restraint. Fined \$63.
 Ritchie Jeremiah T., speeding, fined \$88; speeding, fined \$108.
 Thompson James Calton, State Tax Commission violation. Fined \$102.
 DiGirolamo Cappy L., driving license suspended. Fined \$390.
 Cotran Michael Albert, driving license suspended. Affidavit withdrawn.
 Burch Shane J., no drivers license, not guilty; seatbelt violation, fined \$25.
 Williams Mark I, speeding. Nonadjudicated.
 Sand Christian, speeding. Affidavit withdrawn.
 Favre Marty A., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Quick Donna Sweeney, Wildlife Conservation. Fined \$102.
 Devaille David J., skiing without observer. Fined \$102.
 Koffskey Wayne E., PFD/insufficient. Fined \$102.
 Choquette Betty J., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Wildstein Jay Adam, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Longtin Brian, disorderly conduct. Fined \$93.50.
 Nelson Shantel D., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Cadiere Michael A., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Grissom Rozanna, no drivers license; not guilty; speeding, fined \$68.
 Evans Opal W., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Lansing Robert, simple assault domestic. Fined \$128.50.
 Gonzales Lisann Marie, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Varnado Bobby R., skiing without observer. Fined \$102.

Jordan John B., reckless driving, fined \$88; no drivers license, not guilty.
 Forrest Augustus D., gaming violation. Fined \$206.50.
 Whaley Ronnie O., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Smith Elliott R. Jr., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Henderson Anthony P., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Oglesby Michael S., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Adams Heather L., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Ryan Ernest L., driving license suspended. Fined \$239.
 Graham Ernest W., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Ladner Daniel, simple assault domestic. Guilty. Two days suspended jail sentence.
 Johnson James W., improper lane usage. Not Guilty.
 Reed Sherman, drunk/public. Fined \$128.50.
 Sorrow Tammy D., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Allnet Keith, assault/simple. Fined \$128.50.
 Hogan John Martin, State Tax Commission Violation. Fined \$133.50.
 Rickman Robert Raymond, careless driving. Fined \$68.
 Crupps Cassie, no drivers license. Fined \$64.
 Bonano Gregory J., drivers license violation, fined \$64; State Tax Commission violation, fined \$133.50.
 Sonier Evelyn E. LM (Lind), driving license suspended. Fined \$84.
 Stratz Jack P., ran stop sign. Fined \$68.
 Slade Scott B., reckless driving. Dismissed.
 Johnson James W., DUI first offense. Fined \$483.
 Bays David E., DUI first offense. Fined \$483.
 Bays David E., reckless driving, no tag, not guilty.
 Slade Scott B., DUI first offense. Fined \$483.
 DiBenedetto Paul A., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Wolfe Scott Irwin, speeding. Fined \$88.
 Vincent Thomas S., boating under influence. Fined \$483.
 Bermond James, drunk/public. Fined \$128.50.
 Smith Clarence, simple assault domestic. Guilty. Six months suspended jail sentence.
 Gillan Edwin J. III, simple assault domestic. Guilty. Six months suspended jail sentence, two years probation.
 Necaize Michele R., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Morvant Bradley J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Traval George W., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Howard Van A., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Burgess Brian, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Bouchereau Leo C. Jr., speeding. Fined \$69.
 Dedaux Arnold C., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Lombard Leslie K., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Ray Marcus, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Slade Michael, speeding. Fined \$68.
 Lebold John E. Jr., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Bowden Steven M., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Riccobono Heather A., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Barback Lester M., speeding. Fined \$108.
 Thomas Raymond Scott, State Tax Commission violation. Fined \$133.50.
 Baughman Charles, expired tag. Fined \$93.50.
 Strong Kirt A., shrimping violation. Fined \$177.
 Blakenship Franklin, simple assault domestic. Six months suspended jail sentence, two years probation.

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 Appling Roy, failed to yield right-of-way. Fined \$68.
 Rice Jerry S., expired sticker. Fined \$49.
 Hill Hattie P., failed to yield right-of-way. Fined \$68.
 Cuevas Sandi M., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Boudreaux Madelyn C., speeding. Fined \$128.
 Robinson Bronson W. Jr., drunk/public, not guilty; disorderly conduct, fined \$128.50; simple assault domestic, fined \$93.50; disturbing the peace, fined \$108.50.
 Ladner Ronnie G., DUI first offense, fined \$483; ran stop sign, not guilty; no drivers license, not guilty.
 Conklin Darlene J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Chin Joshua R., littering. Fined \$58.
 Starr Lynda J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Rivers Dawn R., DUI first offense. Guilty. Time served in jail.
 Carwford Robert E., skiing without observer. Fined \$102.
 Normand Louis J., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Bawn Angela K., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Ly Tam H., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Parker Rose M., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Rose Dorothy J., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Miller Wayne A., speeding, fined \$68; expired sticker, fined \$49.
 McCarthy Margaret B., follow too close. Fined \$68.
 Ladner Lodge, trespass. Affidavit withdrawn.
 Nguyen Dat Cong, shrimping violation, fined \$177; fishing/no-non resident, fined \$177.
 Boudin Robert J. Jr., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Norton George, sea trout/undersize. Fined \$177.
 Colley Robert E., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Dantoni William R., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Overall Rosemary G., speeding. Fined \$88.
 Borroughs Brandi E., speeding, fined \$91; follow too close, fined \$68.
 Simpson Troy D., seatbelt violation. Fined \$25.
 Reed Carey Joseph, speeding. Fined \$108.
 Graham Marshall A., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Niolet Mary T., speeding. Fined \$68.
 Arnold William R., oyster violation. Fined \$177.

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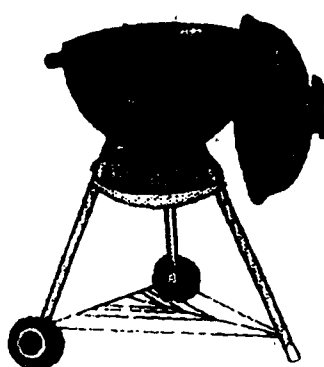
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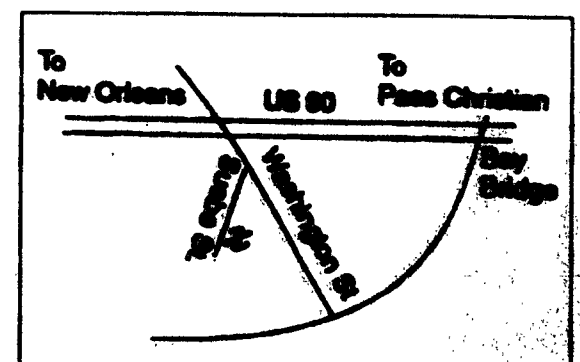
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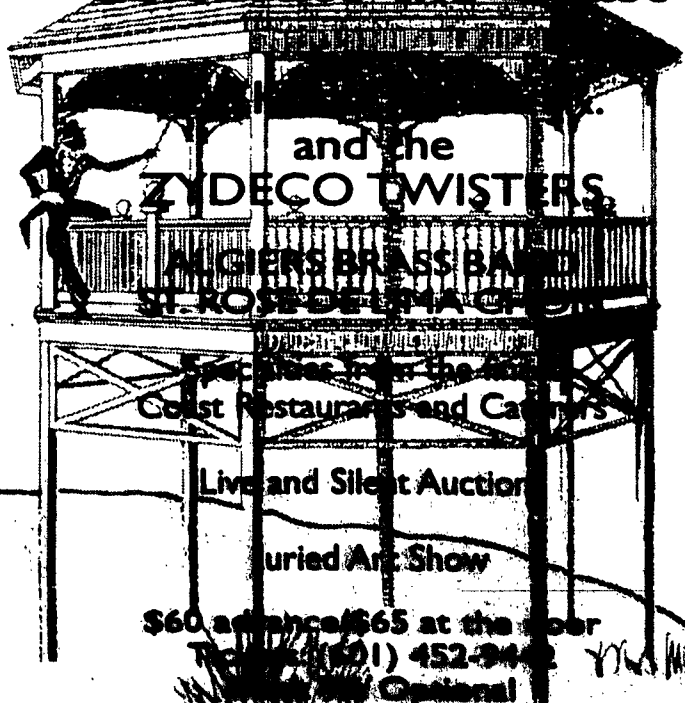
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• (On if he was surprised by the impressive win)
"No, I'm not surprised by anything. It's a reality that you are going to win some and lose some. You can't be surprised if you don't make mistakes, and if you just do the things that you practice then your results may not be perfect, but they're usually pretty good. That is our problem. We haven't been able to do those things earlier. I thought they played with a lot more confidence."

• (On the game plan against the Lions)
"You go to the game before with eight turnovers. Our defense wasn't that bad. They get 30 points over eight turnovers — they came directly over turnovers. Then you start pressing. Offensively you get out of what you are doing. I think Danny was much more comfortable upstairs. I think he saw much more yesterday and as a result he stayed with the run longer. And plus we had some success with the run, and that always helps too. But you have got to be patient with it. Every time you get backed up, there is no rule that you have to run it three times or throw it three times."

• (On being ready for the Giants)
"Well, all they've got to do is put the film on. They will get ready or else, because the Giants are going to be the best defense that we have played. They are going to be the best all around defense on film that I have seen. I don't care what people say. They are going to be the best I have seen in the four games we have played."

• (On the running game)
"We have running plays to the fullback and the weakside but once we got into the flow of things we just stayed with it. I told Ray during the game that his time would come and we'd get him the ball, and Ray was great. He was terrific. He said he was having a lot of fun and don't worry about it. That is exactly what he said and I commend Ray, because I told the team today I think it is tough."

• (On not wearing a headset during the game)
"I felt more comfortable without the headset on. That limits me. I can't get to the players, I can't talk to the players and I'm always butting in. That is the nature of the animal. I wore it in Chicago in the old days in the beginning, but then I remember why I took it off. I couldn't call plays because the guys upstairs were telling me what to do. So I just took it off and laid it down so I think I am going to lay it down for awhile. I now what is going on. I know what the plays are. Danny (Abramowicz) was pretty much on script with what he scripted out for the first 15 plays. He knew what he was going to do by formation — within reason. I mean, unless something changed drastically with down and distance or field position. And defensively I had a pretty good feeling for them and actually after awhile he changed and went to a little bit more of a two coverage, but he told me he was probably going to do that anyway. We script about 12-15 plays but we don't always adhere to it. Danny called the whole game on Sunday."

• (On if he has a handle on this team yet)
"I think that is hard. Last week I wasn't sure. I thought we practiced better and I thought there was a chance that we'd play better. You can't fear that you are not going to do something good or fear failure. What happens, happens. What I have told you many times is that the players play. A week ago, I think I said, we aren't making enough plays. Yesterday we made enough plays."

Picayune forefits three victories

Picayune, the No. 13 team in this week's Mississippi Associated Press high school football poll, will likely have to forfeit its first three victories of the season.

Picayune officials determined this week that an ineligible player had participated in the Maroon Tide's first four games.

The Maroon Tide will still be eligible for postseason play since the ineligible player did not play in any Division 7-4A games. Picayune hosts Oak Grove in its division opener Friday night.

Picayune High principal Henry C. Hill caught the oversight while going through transcripts Monday in his office.

"It was a mistake on our part. It was a clerical error," Hill said. "We caught the

infraction and reported it. We won't appeal because it is such an obvious infraction."

The unidentified player apparently used up his eligibility after last season. The school won't explain how his eligibility has been used up after only two seasons.

Hill said the school would plead the hardship case of the player and appeal his eligibility during a meeting Thursday in Jackson with Mississippi High School Activities Association officials.

The discovery comes on the heels of the Maroon Tide's 30-29 over then-No. 5 Gulfport last weekend. Picayune also will forfeit games against Harrison Central and Bogalusa, La.

"We have to forfeit those games, but we know who won them," Hill said.

Sea Wolves prepare for training camp, new players

The Mississippi Sea Wolves professional hockey team continues to prepare for a second season of hockey in the East Coast Hockey League when training camp begins Wednesday, Oct. 1.

Training camp will run for about two weeks and includes three pre-season games. During camp, head coach Bruce Boudreau will be evaluating team talent in preparation for the Sea Wolves second year.

Returning starters, along with a host of new players, will try to make the grade as they compete to fill the 20-man roster mandated by the ECHL. Returning players from last year's team include Jeff Roh-

lick, Troy Mann, Kevin Evans, Quinn Fair, Patrick Rochon, John Kosobud, Mark Ruppnow, Yannick Jean and Steve Yule. Nineteen additional players will fill out the remaining spots in training camp.

All on-ice practices will begin at 10 a.m. and are open to the public.

Pre-season games include Oct. 6 at Baton Rouge against the Kingfish, Oct. 9 at Pensacola against the Ice Pilots and at home against the Louisiana Ice Gators Oct. 10 at 7:05 p.m.

Tickets for the one and only exhibition game will cost \$5 and go on sale at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum beginning Oct. 1.

Pearl River falls to Southwest 42-14

The Southwest Bears scored on their first two possessions in Poplarville Thursday and cruised to a 42-14 South Division community college victory over the Pearl River Wildcats.

The loss evened PRCC's overall mark at 2-2, 0-1 in the division, while SWCC improved to 3-1, 1-0.

Coach Steven Campbell's Bears amassed 567 yards of total offense (532 rush, 156 pass), while the Wildcats managed 326 total (131 rush, 195 pass).

"We were physically whipped up and down the field and it didn't appear we could do anything about it," said PRCC head coach Keith Daniels. "Offensively, they (Southwest) are the best team we've played so far."

Southwest quarterback Kwanzi Watts led all rushers in the game with 211 yards on 12 carries, while running backs Eric Riggins and Jeremi Rudolph had 101 and 93 yards, respectively. Watts passed only five times during the game, completing one (one interception).

Pearl River was led by sophomore running back Bud Haralson who rushed for 90 yards on 14 carries, while sophomore quarterback Shane Tapper connected on 14 of 27 passes (two interceptions).

The Wildcats entered the game off an emotional 27-21 win over Itawamba — just five days after an auto accident claimed the life of tight end Juan Mariner and critically injured linebacker Freddie White. Both were starters.

"I offer no excuses. We were defeated soundly. Now it's our job as coaches to get our kids back up. In football, you accept the good with the bad. The past couple of weeks have been an emotional roller coaster," said Daniels.

Daniels said the Bears were no surprise to his team.

"They're leading the entire state in rushing with around 1,500 yards in four games and have successfully run the ball against everybody they've played so far," he said. "They deserve all the credit in the world."

Rudolph scored first, capping the game's opening drive (70 yards) with a seven-yard run. Midway into the period, Watts scored on a 34-yard run. Kevin Pond's extra points pushed Southwest to a 14-0 lead that stood until the third quarter.

Early in the second half, the Bears blocked a Shawn Grigsby punt and set up a 36-yard field goal by Pond. Rudolph got his second TD of the night on a five-yard run (PAT no good).

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Pearl River got on the scoreboard with 6:34 left in the quarter when sophomore quarterback Shane Tapper hurled a 40-yard scoring pass to freshman wide receiver Deamond Bolar of Purvis. Nando Lopes booted the point-after and the score was 23-7 Southwest.

The Bears retaliated with a 91-yard TD run by Eric Riggins on the ensuing series (PAT no good), then PRCC sophomore running back Bud Haralson capped a 72-yard drive with a seven-yard run with 1:35 left in the period. Lopes' PAT was good.

League seeks U-12 players, coaches

The Bay Area Youth Soccer organization needs at least six additional under twelve boys to complete a second team in that age category. Coaches and assistant coaches are also needed for each of these two teams.

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Hancock scores early, hangs on for 29-17 win over SSC

BY RICHARD MEEK

St. Stanislaus' exciting Rock'n'fun offense razzled in the first half but fizzled in the second in a 29-17 loss to county rival Hancock Friday night at Rock Stadium in the District 7-4A opener for both teams.

The Rocks' wide-open offense produced several big first half plays, but stalled in the second, as the 15th ranked Hawks, 4-0, held SSC, 0-4, to minus yardage in the third period.

"We are trying to get better each week," SSC coach David Kenson said. "This is not a simple offense to learn. It takes playing in game situations to get learn it."

Hancock jumped out to an early lead and then survived what was a scrappy SSC defense and a Rock offense that featured shotgun and one back formations and halfback passes. Hancock scored on four of its first five possessions, ringing up 29 points in 17 minutes, but the Hawks' feared rushing attack was collared from that point.

Hancock finished with 306 total yards, but only 106 in the second half and 46 in the final 12 minutes.

The Hawks were stopped once by the SSC defense on a fourth-and-two and twice on fourth-and-one.

"I was surprised a little bit that they were able to stop us," Hancock coach Rocky Gaudin said. "That's the best I've seen (Stanislaus) play. But it's a rival game and they had nothing to lose."

The Hawks scored on two of its first three plays to take an early 14-0 lead.

Darryl Williams, who would leave the game early in the fourth quarter with a knee injury, returned the opening kickoff 85 yards for a score. John Woods then intercepted a Wes Elhert pass on the Rocks' first play from scrimmage and two plays later scored on a four-yard run to give Hancock a 14-0 lead 69 seconds into the game.

Stanislaus cut the lead to 14-3 with 2:32 left in the first quarter on Philippe Michel's 40-yard field goal, but the Hawks answered with a 67-yard scoring drive that was aided by a Stanislaus penalty on fourth down. Lee Shirah's 21-yard run gave the Hawks a 21-3 lead with 10:45 left in the

first quarter.

One play later, Stanislaus lined up in the shotgun with four wide receivers and no running backs. With the Hawk secondary scurrying to cover the receivers, Rock freshman quarterback Jason Santiago threw a 76-yard scoring pass to Andy Brown, who shook off Williams at the Hawk 35 and outraced Kendred Lewis to the end zone.

"We put that play in for this game," Kenson said. "We had not shown that formation before. We knew Hancock would either call time out or we would score."

Gaudin admitted there may have been some confusion in the Hawk secondary.

"We hadn't seen the formation before," he said. "It was a poor job on the coaches' part."

Hawk quarterback Josh Whitfield, who completed three of eight passes for 46 yards, threw a 21-yard pass to Woods with 7:28 left in the first half on what would be the Hawk's final points. The play gave Hancock a 29-10 lead.

Santiago, who was 3-11 for 103 yards, teamed with Brown on a 22-yard scoring pass with 3:02 left in the first half to cut the lead to 29-17.

Both defenses dominated the second half. Stanislaus was held to minus seven yards in the third quarter and eight total yards in the second half.

Four of the Hawks' five second half possessions began in Rock territory, but Hancock was unable to score. The Hawks drove to the SSC five in the fourth quarter but Woods was stopped for no gain on a fourth and one.

"Nothing this team does surprises me," Kenson said. "We played hard. We did make some defensive adjustments at half-time to stop their dive plays by playing three linebackers."

Williams finished with 90 yards on 19 carries before being carried off of the field late in the fourth quarter. Gaudin said his prized back should be okay, but that the knee took a shock on a hit by Brown.

Woods had 86 yards on 18 attempts and three touchdowns on 13 trips.

"Offensively, I was not pleased," Gaudin said.

Hancock plays host to Pearl River Central on Friday.



Stanislaus coach Dave Kenson confers with Rock quarterback Wes Elhert. (Echo staff photo by Randy Ponder)

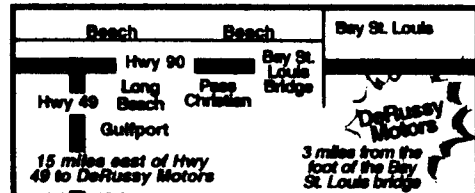
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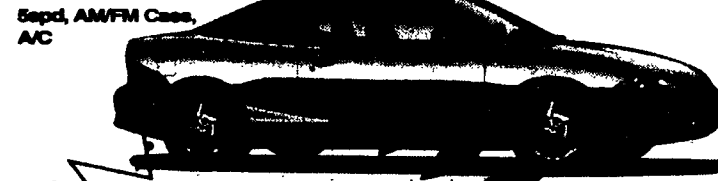
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Bay High falls

BY DWYANE BREMER

The Bay High Tigers fell to 0-5 Friday night as they lost a heart-breaker, 20-14, against Pearl River Central in Carrere.

"They have a well-talented, good-coached team; we were fortunate to get the win," said Blue Devil coach Curtis Thaxton.

The Blue Devils got the ball to open the game. On their third play, running back Mark Whitfield fumbled and Wes Griffith fell on the ball for the Tigers at the 44.

The Tigers got a first down, but were unable to capitalize as Tank Williams was picked off at the five.

The Devils drove to the Tiger 42 and, on a fake punt, Whitfield was stopped short and the Tigers took over.

On the Devils next possession, they began to move the ball again, but the Tiger defense came up big as Charile Buckley picked off a pass at the Bay High 35.

The Tigers took advantage as Rendell Haynes ran for five yards, then Williams rolled out and took off down the side, breaking tackles and going 60 yards for a Tiger touchdown. The PAT gave the Tigers had a 7-0 lead with 10:58 left in the first half.

The Devils with a 13-play 66-yard drive that ended with Zack Roles scoring from three yards out. The PAT failed, and the score moved to 7-6 with 4:58 left in the half.

The score remained the same going to the half, thanks to Williams and Brent Haynes, whose interceptions stopped PRC drives.

The Devils had good field position at the start of the second half as Jay Beech picked off Williams at midfield.

PRC marched seven plays to the two when Roles took it in for his second score. The two point conversion attempt failed as Steven Boudro knocked down the pass at the goal, but the Devils had taken the lead 12-7 with se-

ven minutes left in the third.

Bay High fumbled on its ensuing possession and PRC recovered at the Tiger 27. After a penalty, Cody Anglin hit Tommy Lord for 26 yards down to the five. Whitfield then scored on the next play. The two-point gave the Devils a 20-7 lead with just over 11 minutes remaining.

The Tigers would not fold however. After the kick, Williams scrambled for eight yards to the 27. Tony Benton then took the pitch on a sweep and scored on a 73-yard run. The PAT with 10:51 cut the Devils' lead to 20-14.

The Devils then tried to put together a clinching drive. They moved 52 yards down to the Bay High 19. The Tiger defense held tight at that point, and forced the Devils to try a field goal. The attempt failed and with 6:12 left, the Tigers got the ball back at the 20.

Williams started off by hitting Ronald Brown for 14 yards. Benton then took a pitch 11 yards for another first down. Williams then dropped back, could not find anyone and scrambled 26 yards down to the Devil 29. The Tigers appeared to have another first down as Williams hit Benton at the 15, but a costly clipping penalty set the Tigers back to the 44. Williams then was picked off at the 20 by Beech, and with 3:58 left, the Devils took over and ran out the clock.

"We played well for two out of four quarters, and we had some momentum in the fourth quarter," said Tiger head coach David Baughman. "This was a very physical team and we had trouble stopping them."

Williams had 112 yards on seven carries as well as completing 8 of 13 passes for 55 yards. Benton added 68 yards on the ground.

"This was a great game for the spectators, and it gave us a lot of confidence," said Curtis Thaxton.

Bay High plays host to Oak Grove next week.

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Other budget minded specials include the popular "Ride-A-Thon," Friday, Oct. 3 and Friday, Oct. 10. Pay one price of \$14 for unlimited rides from 11 p.m.-2 a.m. with \$3 admission and \$2 parking.

A special night for family fun will be Tuesday, Oct. 7 at "Family Night" from 5-11 p.m. Pay one price of \$12 per person and ride all the rides you want, admission is \$3, parking \$2. There's more for the kids at Kid's Day, Friday, Oct. 10, featuring discounted ride prices

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The tradition continues at the fair with all of the free entertainment you want. The Budweiser Pavilion will feature some of the hottest performers like Lonestar, Oct. 1; Drifters, Coaster, Platters, Oct. 2; Doug Supernaw, Oct. 3; Paul Revere and the Raiders, Oct. 6; Kenny Chesney, Oct. 7; ConFunkShun, Oct. 8; 28 Special, Oct. 9; and Pat Kirby, Oct. 10. Most shows are at 7 and 9 p.m.

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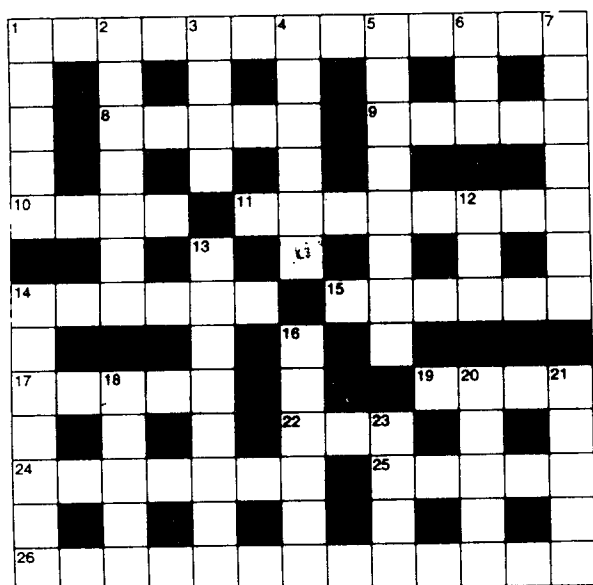
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With strong leadership, new companies can blossom, and bankrupt companies can bounce back. Remember Chrysler after Lee Iacocca took over? Or how about Wal-Mart with Sam Walton at the helm?

Smart investors know that management is the key to success. Yet too often, mutual fund investors confuse management skills with market luck. When it comes to mutual funds, however, consistent management far outweighs the glamour of an occasional lucky guess.

How do you evaluate a mutual fund's management? One of the surest ways is to go to your library or financial professional's office and ask to see Value Line or Morningstar reports. These are excellent independent research publications offering comprehensive analysis of hundreds of mutual funds and fund families.

For example, a recent Value Line report evaluated 99 mutual fund families. This special edition highlighted mergers, acquisitions and other changes that had occurred in recent months, such as the subordination of Benham Group and Twentieth Century under the American Century label, the merger of

Evergreen Funds and Keystone, Nuveen's acquisition of Flagship, and Franklin's acquisition of Mutual Series funds.

If you happen to own a fund in any of these families, these events are of interest to you. The evaluations of the fund families in this special publication can help you assess your fund's new management. Each evaluation covers the company's history, research capabilities and specialties, management approach, investment options and more.

Listed within each of the 99 fund families is total assets under management as well as the number of funds in each of six broad groups. Those groups include four categories of equity funds and two of income funds. The report also includes an average overall ranking and average risk for each family's funds.

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Submitted by Craig Foster
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Casino Magic sells Crescent City Queen

Casino Magic Corp. (Nasdaq: CMAG) announced it concluded the sale of the Crescent City Queen riverboat to Hollywood Park Inc. for \$11,700,000.

The Crescent City Queen was acquired by Casino Magic in March 1996, along with the acquisition of Crescent City Capital Development Corp.

The Louisiana gaming license which was then held by Crescent City Capital Development Corp. was moved by Casino Magic to permit the deve-

lopment of its Bossier City, La. casino which opened in October 1996. Casino Magic said the proceeds from the sale will be used to further enhance and develop its Bossier City property.

Casino Magic Corp., with principal offices in Bay St. Louis, operates gaming casinos through subsidiaries in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi, Bossier City, Nequen City and San Martin de los Andes, Argentina.

Gulfport company receives \$7,610,000 Navy contract

Tilley Constructors and Engineers of Gulfport has been awarded a \$7,610,000 contract by the U.S. Navy, U.S. Senator Trent Lott announced.

The contract is for the construction of the Ocean Research Laboratory at the Stennis Space Center. As part of the Naval Research Laboratory, this center will allow the Naval oceanography community to better support sailors with ocean modeling, nowcasting, forecasting, ocean processes and remote sensing research.

"Construction of this Ocean Research Laboratory will allow Navy scientists to move out of NASA-owned buildings at Stennis, making room for NASA's continued growth," Lott said.

"This will also provide a state-of-the-art laboratory for Navy scientists to continue paving the way in ocean research as we enter the 21st century. I congratulate the men and women of Tilley Constructors and Engi-

neers on securing this important contract."

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WELLMAN INC/WLM	22 1/4	-3/4
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Submitted by Craig Foster, Edward D. Jones Co.

Lines promoted

Linda S. Lines has been promoted by Hancock Mortgage Corporation to loan originator and is located in the Hancock Bank Diamondhead office. The announcement was made by Hancock Mortgage Corporation vice president and senior mortgage officer Diane B. Havard.

Lines manages and originates all along-term mortgage loans, FHA/VA, conventional and non-conforming mortgage loans for Hancock Mortgage in Western Harrison and Hancock counties. She has 21 years of banking experience with 11 years in mortgage banking.

A New Orleans native and Coast resident since 1951, Lines attended Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and has completed numerous American Institute of Banking and Mortgage Bankers courses. She is a member of the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association and the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

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Linda S. Lines

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Small business workshop

The University of Southern Mississippi's Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "How To Start Your Own Business" on Thursday, Oct. 9 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Hwy. 90, Bay St. Louis.

The workshop will cover general information on starting a small business, including information on licensing, taxes, business planning, and financing. The instructor will be Jill Sca-

vide, business analyst at the USM Small Business Development Center.

Fee is \$15 must be paid in advance due to limited seating. To pre-pay, mail check made payable to USM SBDC (by Oct. 2) to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

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Sewerage

prolonged contact with the water.

And, it is a documented fact, that pollution caused by raw sewage being dumped directly into waterways and streams or seepage from septic tanks failing in the area have had a direct impact on oystermen, who can't fish on nearby reefs.

District 3 Supervisor Lisa

Cowand has recruited the Gulf Regional Planning Commission, the environmental committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and health and environmental officials to come up with a Hancock County Strategic Wastewater Plan.

The group held one of its initial working sessions Sept. 23 at the Hancock County Court-

house, and GRPC's Planning Director, Jeff Taylor informed the group a funding source had been found for developing the plan.

Jerry Mitchell told Taylor that the Department of Marine Resources has federal money funneled to it under the Coastal Non-point Source Pollution

Program, also known as 6217. Septic tanks are one of the prime contributors to non-point source pollution, so it was agreed that the 6217 funds could be utilized to help develop an even larger strategic plan that would set a course for Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties, the three coastal areas most endangered.

NASA's Environmental Affairs Officer, Ron Magee, serves as chair of the chamber committee, and he has his job cut out for him.

As the work session unfolded, the task ahead seemed almost insurmountable.

The committee hopes to determine the extent and status of the total wastewater disposal situation in the Hancock County. This includes the location, size, number of users, cost of operations, and identifying current problems and plans covering public and private wastewater systems and individual homeowner wastewater systems.

The consensus seemed to be that consolidation of wastewater districts might be necessary to achieve a unified wastewater disposal plan.

The committee also wants to examine the array of available wastewater management technologies that can be instituted in either low density or highly populated residential areas, and develop a physical facilities plan tailored to each individual county.

This would require documenting existing growth areas and future growth areas to determine where services in the fringe areas will be needed next.

Funding sources must also be looked at on the federal, state and county levels, with particular emphasis placed on obtaining funds to give relief to the elderly and those on fixed income who claim they cannot bear the cost of hooking up to a central sewerage system.

A technical assistance program would also be needed to educate and lend assistance to the individual homeowner and to large wastewater generators, such as industry located in the area.

Based on the information generated by the committee, a Strategic Action Plan will address the primary components, assign responsibility and begin implementation on a jurisdiction-by-jurisdiction basis.

Throughout the workshop session, Supervisor Rocky Pullman said he was most concerned about the costs that would be borne by the elderly and poor. Pearlinton residents who make up a good chunk of his District 2 have resisted being tied into the grinder-type sewerage disposal system proposed for other nearby areas.

"And, what would be the cost to do nothing," countered

Cowand.

Health department officials have raised concerns about an epidemic outbreak that could possibly cost someone's life and the medical expense families would face if they or their children got sick.

And, civic and business leaders are concerned that the lack of a sewerage system in some areas would prevent future construction of homes, forcing new workers who are coming into the area to buy in nearby Pearl River or adjacent areas of St. Tammany Parish.

The committee's next meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30 at the courthouse.

Pilot

But, unlike the others, the Feolas live on a lofty perch. Their spacious three-bedroom home sits atop a hangar that houses both their airplanes — the Yak and a modern, low-wing Mooney, a sleek and swift four-passenger plane built for personal transportation — as well as a large van and a variety of equipment and furnishings.

Feola, a tall flyer with a quick smile and a hearty handshake, at the age of 60, flies his Yak through aerobatic maneuvers that would test the skill and nerves of many a younger devotee of acrobatic flight. He is the father of four adult offspring and the grandfather of six youngsters.

A certified flight instructor and an avid supporter of aviation, he is known for his generosity to neighbors and fellow pilots, to many of whom he contributes the instruction time needed to keep their flying licenses up to date.

"Just consider it a contribu-

tion to aviation," he said the other day, responding to a pilot who wanted to pay for instruction time. He will, he said, accept repayment for fuel spent on instruction flights.

The instruction is only one of many of Feola's contributions to aviation. He also participates in the Young Eagles program sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), a national organization funded several decades ago by flyers interested either in building their own planes or restoring antique aircraft. The program offers flight time to introduce young people to the excitement of flight.

Mario and Charlotte, who is also a qualified pilot, also contribute time to other aviation causes, including playing leadership roles, along with Marty Duke and his wife, Belinda, in a local chapter of the EAA, but they and their flying neighbors and other friends also get together often to enjoy lighter

pursuits. On a recent weekend morning, for example, 106 of them took off in 37 airplanes for Fairhope, Ala., and a brunch at the nearby Grand Hotel.

The way Feola came to own his two airplanes grows out of a storied background. A native of Long Island, the son of Italian immigrants, he started flying while serving a hitch in the Army. He studied mechanical engineering at Hofstra University at Hempstead L.I., while working full-time first at nearby Grumman and then at Republic Aviation, but finished his college career in business administration.

He went on to become a technical representative for McDonnell Aircraft Corporation in a career that took him to such far-flung places as England, Germany, the Middle East and Southeast Asia. But it was after starting a business of his own, serving as a sales representative for manufacturers of electric-utility equipment and

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as an importer of other such equipment, that Feola began acquiring airplanes.

His first warplane was a fighter, a Mig-17 imported directly from Russia. That was a short-lived venture because, as it turned out, the Mig needed a longer landing strip than Diamondhead's 3,800-foot runway, but it led to his acquisition of the Yak.

Another flyer owned the Yak but wanted a Mig. The two were quickly able to come to terms on a trade.

Charlotte Feola now enjoys flying as much as her husband, but it wasn't always that way. She learned to fly the family's airplanes for a very practical reason, she explained recently.

"I told Mario that if anything happened to him while we were flying I wanted to be able to land the plane," she said. "Just because his number was up didn't mean I should have to go with him."

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Cuevas

ferent companies in the park selling lunch to employees. Deliveries are made to several other companies as well.

Cuevas estimates he sells over 100 meals at the park and at least that many in the store.

Many of the lunch customers have been regulars for years and the store is certainly a part of the community.

Cuevas said the business is oriented to people in the community and he buys from local suppliers when he can.

He said he the community

gives to them and they try and give back to the community.

"That's the only way you can really survive in a business like this," Cuevas said.

Although owned by the Cuevas family for over 12 years, the store's history goes back much further.

Joyce Wall, a cashier in the store, knows that history first hand.

Wall's grandfather, Tom Dean, built the store which then operated under the name Dean's. Her mother, Ernestine

Davis, bought the store in 1951 from Dean and ran it under the name Davis'.

In 1978, the store was bought by Shirley Wood and was renamed Wood's, until purchased by the Cuevas family.

Wall has worked in the store since 1975, working for three different owners.

She can usually be found in the front of the store working the cash register and chatting with customers.

"I love it. It's just something I've been doing," Wall said. "I

enjoy people, talking to them and meeting them."

Wall said she knows just about everyone who comes in, although the store is seeing some new customers.

Those new customers may be a reflection of an interest in the area which is growing, according to Cuevas.

"We're limited because of the buffer zone, (but) we have a lot to offer with the water," he said. "If there's a place up for sale, it's generally bought."

Expansion at Port Bienville has been good for business, bringing a large lunch crowd.

On most days after the lunch crowd has settled down in the store, a steady stream of customers continues until business picks up again around dinner, according to Cuevas.

One recent afternoon, almost every customer was greeted by name.

As Wall checked out a customer picking up a call-in order, a little boy opened a soda on a bottle opener attached to the front counter. Two other customers were greeted with hugs and handshakes.

Just a regular day at the store in the heart of Pearlinton.

Benefit scheduled

First Missionary Baptist Church is holding a benefit for Rev. David Parker and his family on Oct. 4 at 6 p.m. at the church, located at Sycamore and Third streets in Bay St. Louis.

Rev. Parker is ill and the benefit will help with expenses.

Town

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the first recorded white settler in the area.

Favre was sent from Mobile by the federal government to try and civilize the Choctaw Indians.

Favre settled on a farm in an area now known as "the Gin," about a mile north of Pearlinton at a landing on the Pearl River. The area was so named because prior to the Civil War Pearlinton had a considerable cotton market and cotton was floated down the Pearl River to a gin located on the original Simon Favre farm.

Pearlington received its incorporation papers in December 1822 during the sixth session of the Mississippi Legislature. The town and river were named for the pearls that used to be found in the river.

In the late 1800s following the Civil War, Pearlinton was home to the Poitevent and Favre Lumber Company, one of the most important lumber mills in the United States. Captain John Poitevent was presi-

dent and Captain Joseph A. Favre, Simon Favre's descendant, was vice-president.

The timber industry was a natural for the area given the ability to float the timber down stream to the mills.

During its tenure as a commercial center, Pearlinton was known for its lavish lifestyle and beautiful, large homes in the Colonial fashion.

In 1900, it has been reported the town had a population of 1,700 and sported a bank, numerous well-stocked stores and a commissary.

The timber industry supported the area for years until the timber was depleted.

Between the years of 1962 and 1964, the population of Pearlinton received a boost when NASA acquired land for the test-site and buffer zone, where Logtown and Gainesville once stood. Many people from those areas filtered into Pearlinton.

Today, Pearlinton is seeing

some rekindled interest from people looking to move into the area, according to local realtors.

Its location near the expanding Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis Space Center make the town a logical spot for workers settling into the area.

The main street in Pearlinton is dotted with businesses and churches beginning with an E-Z Serve on Highway 90. There is also a Post Office and Charles B. Murphy Elementary School.

In addition to Cuevas' Grocery and Baldress General Store, a new restaurant is expected to be opened soon.

Once again industry may be bringing people to Pearlinton. (Note: Historical information obtained from Pearl River, Highway to Glory Land by S.G. Thigpen, Pearlinton: Church and Community - Dr. Bill Jenkins, Editor, and a Sea Coast Echo article dated May 8, 1975 by Joe Pilet).

Casino Magic schedule

Sunday, Sept. 28
Football Specials
7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 p.m., Pure Gold performs on main lobby stage (free).
8 p.m., Neville Brothers in Concert. Free outdoors.
10:30 p.m., \$500 giveaway every half hour.

Tuesday, Sept. 30
(5 years on this day!)
10 a.m., Birthday Cake in the Lobby.
7 p.m. — Boxing! Barbosa vs Echols. Buy one ticket in the gift shop and get a second one free. Championship Doubleheader.

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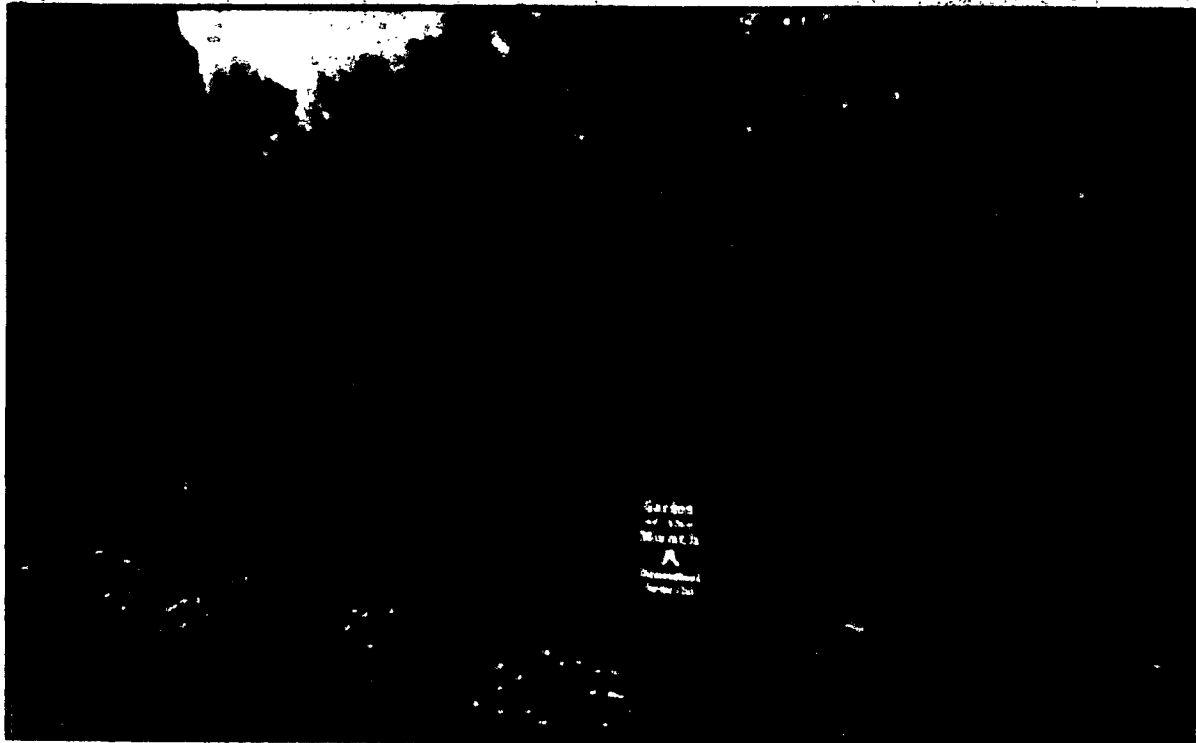
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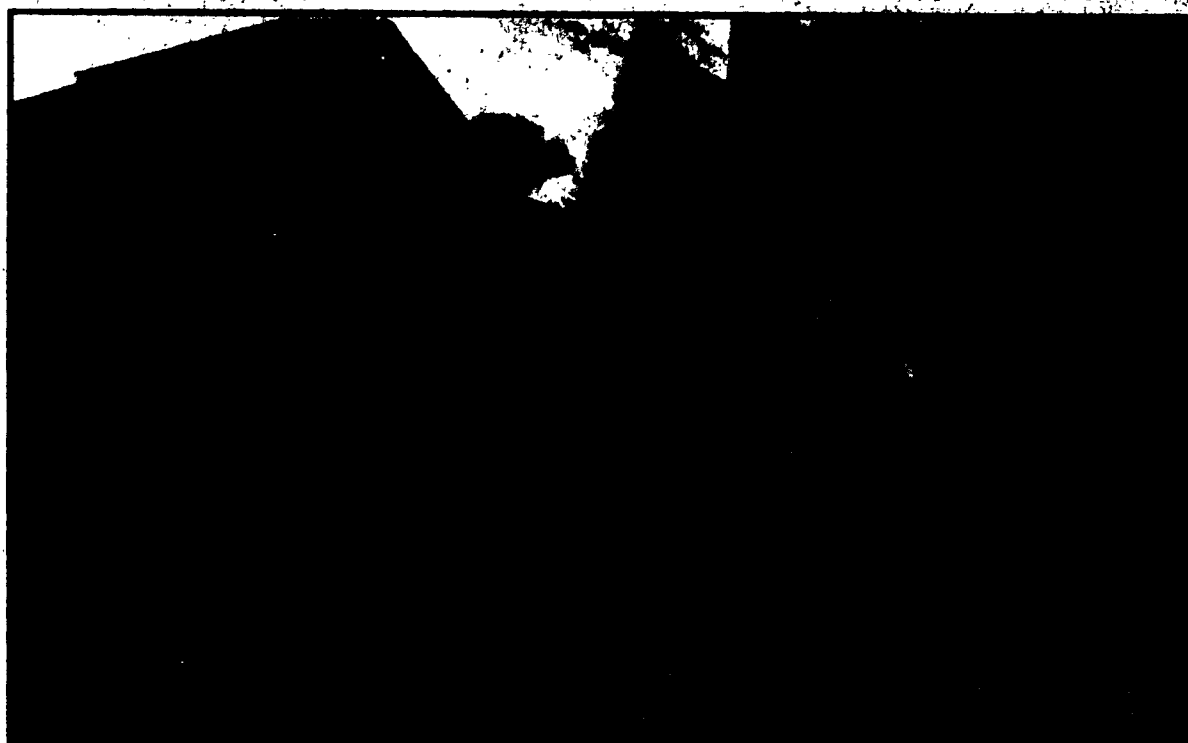
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Diamondhead Gardens of the Month



September Garden of the Month
Robert and Eva Bond, 7888 Hilo Way



September Golf Course Garden of the Month
Charles and Rosemary Bacigalupa, 556 Kaiki Drive

Magnus receives award as perennial

Many people believe purple coneflowers are worthy of awards, but now it's official.

The Perennial Plant Association named Magnus purple coneflower as its Perennial Plant of the Year for 1998.

Purple coneflowers, have long been favorites with gardeners in the South and now have found their way to the health food aisle in stores as a medicinal plant.

American Indians used it to cure a number of ailments and now herbalists use it in their

teas and pills. They have been credited with anti-inflammatory properties, tissue regeneration abilities and the ability to stimulate the immune system.

Magnus is a real winner in the garden. It was selected for its vibrant, rose-purple flowers. Its petals remain horizontal rather than drooping toward the ground. This coneflower is shaped more like a shasta daisy than a cone.

Purple coneflower is hardy from zones 3 to 8 and reaches

between two and four feet in height. It is attractive when mass planted with other perennials like black-eyed Susan, Russian Sage and Victoria Blue salvia.

Combine with purple fountain grass for a real showy display. They perform best in sun or partial shade. It generates tap roots, which enables it to withstand dry conditions in gardens, so place it in a well-drained site.

They attract butterflies like the Painted Lady, and birds eat their seeds, so the plants are suitable for landscapes dedicated to wildlife.

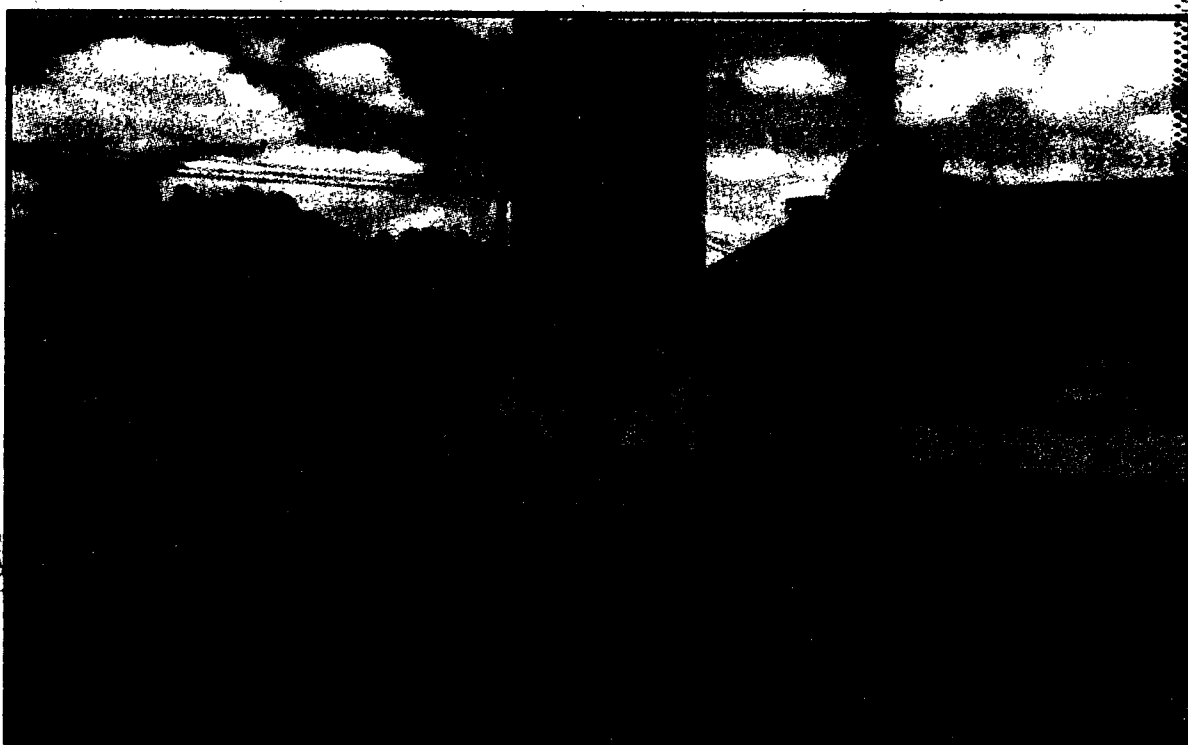
Purple coneflowers are great as cut flowers. If you let one get past its prime, simply pick the petals off and use the brown cone in the vase. Don't throw the arrangement away when you're finished. Let the flowers dry completely and then scatter the seeds around for a denser planting.

If you are buying transplants next year, select healthy green plants that are not yet in bloom. They will reach peak bloom in midsummer and bloom until the first freeze.

Patience is needed with perennials. They get better with a little age. The same is true with Magnus and other purple coneflowers. More flowers are produced in the second and third years.

Space plants on 16-inch centers and fertilize with a 10-10-10 formula at a rate of 2 to 2.5 pounds per 100 square feet when transplanting.

Magnus will be a perennial whose clumps can be divided. This should be done every 2 to 3 years. It also can be propagated from its own seed.



September Commercial Garden of the Month - Burger King

Make your backyard welcome

From the simplest backyards to the most complex gardens, any landscape can be made more beautiful by the presence of birds.

Birdbaths and feeders are readily available and can put you on the road to identifying them. Attracting an assortment of colorful birds is a project the whole family can enjoy.

Bird feeders are great educational projects for children. Armed with a bird guide or encyclopedia, your child will be identifying the birds in no time.

Birds need more than just food. Birdbaths will supply water for drinking and bathing. They not only are functional but can become an attractive focal point in the

landscape.

Birdhouses have become the rage — from the very simple single-story bungalows, to the decorative gourds to those that look like churches, schools and even ante-bellum homes.

While these things are fun for the family, incorporate plants in the landscape with berries or fruit that birds consider a delicacy.

In much of the South, the southern wax myrtle is native and can be used effectively as a small tree or large shrub. You may not have even noticed those waxy blue berries, but 40 species of birds feast on them.

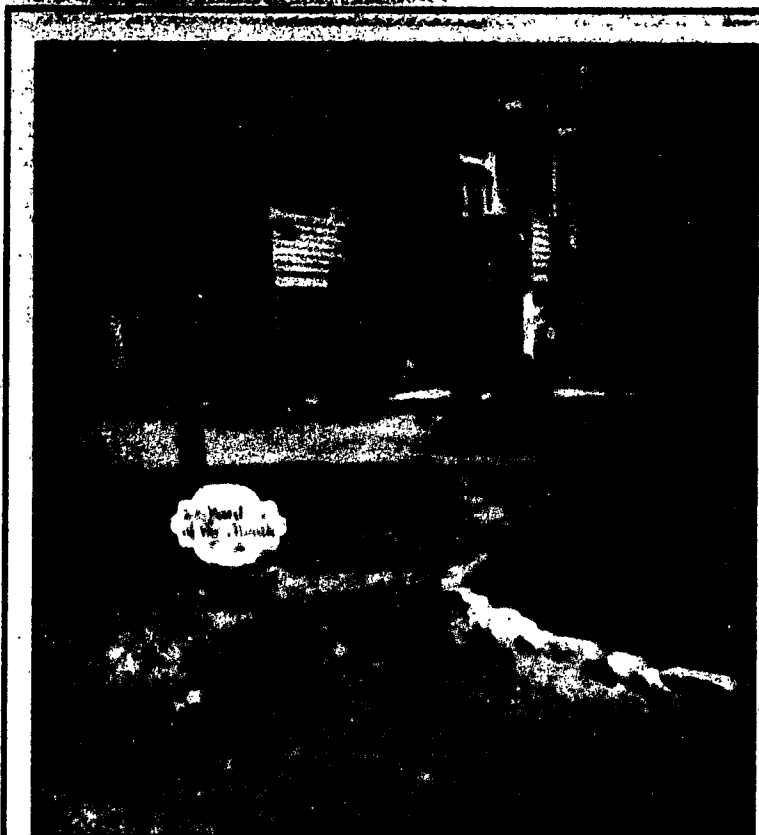
Hollies — like the yaupon, possum haw and American holly — produce those red berries we associate with Christmas, but they also are

food for a number of birds.

Spring dogwoods provide fruit that turns bright red in the fall and is quickly devoured by birds as well as deer and squirrels.

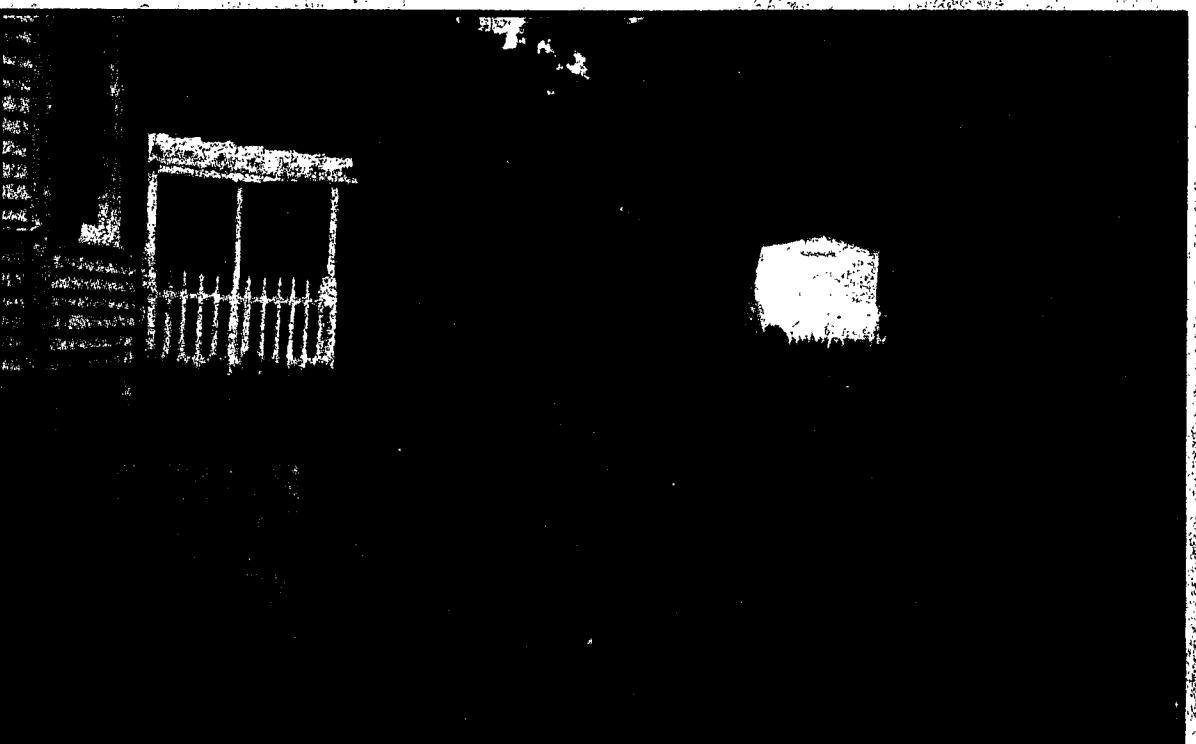
The blue-gray fruit of the eastern red cedar, the Tupelo tree, sweetgum, blackhaw viburnum and American Beauty berry with its bright purple fruits are all considered sources of food for birds.

As fall approaches, rest assured it is one of the best times for planting trees and shrubs. Select those that are native to the South and produce an abundance of fruit or berries for the urban wildlife. Add birdhouses, feeders and baths, and you have created your own wildlife sanctuary.



Point Island Garden Club
Yard of the Month
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jaubert
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'Gather Ye Rosebuds' Gardens of the Month



August Garden - Lee Purcell, Bay St. Louis



September Garden - Ron and Charlie Graham, Bay St. Louis

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Tuesday — Juice, Cereal and Toast or Breakfast Pizza.
Wednesday — Juice, Cereal and Cinnamon Toast or Sausage Biscuit.
Thursday — Juice, Cereal and Toast or Glazed Donut.
Friday — Juice, Cereal and Toast or Scrambled Eggs and Toast.

LUNCH

Monday — Hot Dog and Chili or Pepperoni and Cheese Pizza, Buttered Peas, Salad with French Dressing, Apple and Orange Wedges.
Tuesday — Sandwich with Trimmings, Soft Taco with Trimmings, French Fries, Garden Salad, Banana-Strawberry Cup.
Wednesday — Hamburger with Trimmings or Red Beans and Rice with Sausage, Colelaw, French Fries, Fruited Jello with Topping, Seasoned Cornbread.

Thursday — Stromboli and Pickle or Tuna Salad on Lettuce, Buttered Peas, French Fries, Chilled Fruit, Saltine Crackers.
Friday — Chicken Nuggets or Beefaroni, Veggie Sticks with Dip, Potato au Gratin, Steamed Vegetables, Cherry Delight Cake, Hot Roll.

Hancock High School

Served daily:
Chef Salad, Bread,
Dessert and Milk

Monday — Chicken Nuggets or Cheeseburger with Trimming or Burrito, Creamed Potatoes with Gravy, Seasoned Green Beans, Pineapple Pleasure or Fruit Juice, Honey Wheat Roll or Crackers. Mustard/Mayo/Ketchup, Sweet and Sour Sauce/Salsa.

Tuesday — Spaghetti with Meat Sauce or Turkey Sub Sandwich or Loaded Baked Potato, Tater Tots, Carrot Sticks with Dip, Applesauce of Fruit Juice, Garlic Bread or Crackers, Jello with Topping. Mustard/Mayo/Ketchup.

Wednesday — Fried Chicken or BBQ Pork Burger or Chicken Fajitas, Whipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Sliced Peaches or Fruit Cup of Juice, Yeast Roll or Crackers,

Cookies, BBQ Sauce/Mustard, Ketchup/Salsa.

Thursday — Beef Tips over Rice or Pizza with Toppings or Vegetable Beef Soup with Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Whole Kernel Corn or Garden Salad with Dressing, Mixed Fruit of Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls or Crackers, Vanilla Pudding with Topping, Ketchup/Tartar Sauce, Hot Sauce/Pepper Sauce.
Friday — Taco Salad or Chicken Spaghetti or Fish on Bun, French Fried, Tossed Salad, Apple and Orange Wedges or Frozen Fruit Bar, Yeast Bread Sticks or Crackers, Ketchup/Taco Sauce, Mustard.

Hancock North Central Gulfview and Charles B. Murphy Elementary Schools

Served daily:
Chef Salad, Bread,
Dessert and Milk

Monday — Pizza, Juice.
Tuesday — Flap Sticks, Juice.
Wednesday — Blueberry Muffins, Juice.
Thursday — Ham Biscuit, Applesauce.
Friday — Waffle Sticks, Mixed Fruit.

LUNCH

Monday — Chicken Nuggets or Cheeseburger with Trimming, Creamed Potatoes with Gravy, Seasoned Green Beans, Pineapple Pleasure or Fruit Juice, Honey Wheat Roll or Crackers. Mustard/Mayo/Ketchup, Sweet and Sour Sauce/Salsa.

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Friday — Taco Salad or Chicken Spaghetti, French Fried, Tossed Salad, Apple and Orange Wedges or Frozen Fruit Bar, Yeast Bread Sticks or Crackers, Ketchup/Taco Sauce.

Essay contest

Robert Sills, Bedford, N.H. sponsored by Auxiliary 8214 in Manchester, won first place in the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest.

Some 4,977 high school students participated with 43 states entries judged nationally.

A total of \$62,409 was awarded in local and state prizes, and five national awards from \$3,000 to \$500 were awarded. \$1,000 Savings Bonds were presented to Jonathan Colasanti, Charlotte, N.C. and Kelsey Tuckek, Cresco, Iowa, as winners of the 7th Outstanding Young Volunteer of the Year awards.

Auxiliaries sponsored 8,062 youth groups for \$1,469,199 and 19,890 youth projects for \$3,267,412. A total of \$1,027,783 in scholarships were presented in the jointly sponsored Voice of Democracy Contest with \$20,000 awarded to the first-place national winner.

These contests are open to students enrolled in either public, private or parochial schools or a home study

Food safety gets boost from Hancock County Beef Producers

With the help of television chef "Mr. Food," the beef industry is increasing consumer awareness of safe food-handling practices. The cook-book author and television personality is informing millions of consumers about food safety through a campaign funded by beef checkoff dollars from beef producers in Hancock County and others throughout the country.

"Since 1992 the beef industry has invested more than \$5 million in checkoff-funded research into new processing safeguards," according to Mei Mei Newsome, director of promotions and information of the Mississippi Cattle Industry Board. "At the same time, we need to make sure consumers understand that proper food handling extends beyond production and manufacturing."

More consumer information on food safety is warranted, studies show. In a 1995 study conducted by Better Homes & Gardens, only 22.2 percent of consumers said they strictly adhered to safe-handling practices, while 32 percent said they followed safe-handling practices "most of the time."

"For consumers to properly store, prepare and cook food, they need to learn the basics," said Newsome. "That's why we selected Mr. Food. He has a wide-reaching, established communications network and he provides accurate advice."

Mr. Food is featured in 90-second television spots which air weekdays on 150 television stations nationwide, reaching 10 million adult viewers daily. He also is a leading cookbook author whose weekly syndicated column — started the spring of 1997 — runs in 123 newspapers nationwide, reaching another 1.25 million adults.

To ensure that food safety information gets into consumers' hands, the beef industry is coupling it with a highly sought-after piece of information — convenient, tasty beef recipes.

A recipe card for Beef & Vegetable Fried Rice, a simple-to-prepare dish that calls for ground beef, nine other common ingredients and just 28 minutes of preparation and cooking time, is now available in approximately 4,500 retail stores nationwide, primarily in Mr. Food's television market.

This back-to-school recipe card is the third of four Mr. Food recipe cards slated for distribution this year. The card also contains six key food-safety tips for ensuring the safety of packed school lunches as well as meals prepared at home.

"We're thrilled to be working with Mr. Food," said Newsome. "He has a down-to-earth personality and is a natural in educating consumers on food safety tips and how to make easy-to-prepare dishes."

Resident awarded scholarship

Becky Jordan of Necaise has been awarded the Judge John A. "Jack" Travis Jr. and Jane McCarty Travis Memorial Scholarship at the University of Mississippi School of Law.

A second-year law student, Jordan is a dean's list scholar and a legal writing specialist. She won the best overall contract award in negotiation

competition.

She graduated from Andrew Hill High School in San Jose, Calif., and holds a bachelor's degree in English from Cornell University.

Jordan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hanson of Aurora, Colo. She is married to Tim Jordan of Necaise.

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American Legion
Junior Auxiliary 139

On Sept. 16 the Junior Auxiliary had its monthly meeting with selection of officers, who include Heather Wilkerson, president; Helen Bufkin, vice president; Lisa Necaise, second vice president; Kena Shanley, secretary; Cristina Mumme, treasurer; Nicole Ne-caise and Sarah Ladner, color guards; Jami Genin, chaplain; Amanda Bufkin, sergeant-at-arms; and Anna Ring and Sydney Chevis, historian.

On Oct. 11 there will be a picnic at Buccaneer Park and on Oct. 21 installation of officers will take place.

American Legion
Unit 77 Auxiliary

The next monthly meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Post 77 will be Oct. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the American Legion Hall on Coleman Avenue in Waveland.

Plans for several activities during the month of October will be finalized, such as the carnival at the VA Hospital in Gulfport Oct. 8, the Oktoberfest at the Legion Hall on Coleman Avenue Oct. 11 from 5-8 p.m., the fish fry at the VA Hospital in Gulfport Oct. 16, a picnic for members and their families at Post 77 Oct. 18, and a Halloween Party there Oct. 31.

The annual Oktoberfest, which is open to the public, will be serving authentic German specialties or a complete German dinner for \$5.

American Legion Auxiliary
celebrates anniversary

The Clement R. Bontemps American Legion Auxiliary Unit 139 of Bay St. Louis was organized 50 years ago. An organizational meeting was held in September of 1947 at Bay High School.

The original charter was signed by 65 ladies. The first meeting of the unit was Oct. 27, 1947 for the purpose of electing officers.

The following were selected to serve as the unit's first officers. Mrs. Laurant Dickson, president; Mrs. J. V. Colson, first vice president; Mrs. W. J. Beuhler, second vice president; Mrs. Warren Carver, secretary; Mrs. Alice Holdenuth, treasurer; Mrs. Ida Telhiard, historian; Mrs. W. L. Bourgeois, chaplain; Mrs. E. D. Murtagh, sergeant-at-arms; and Mrs. H. J. Peterson and Miss Marilou Bourgeois as color bearers.

Mrs. L. B. Pate gave the ladies a short explanation of the different committees in the auxiliary. They voted to meet on the "second Monday of each month," and closed their meeting by singing the National Anthem.

The ladies of the area were very interested in starting a unit. They completed the Application for Charter and forwarded it to the National Organization along with application for membership from the 65 prospective members. The charter was signed Jan. 19, 1948 officially creating Unit 139.

The unit has four members of the original charter with 50 years of continuous membership. They are Mrs. Marion El-



Mrs. Laurent (Pearl) Dickson, first president of the Clement R. Bontemps American Legion Auxiliary Unit 139, Bay St. Louis.

lett, Mrs. Beryl Murtagh, Mrs. Ed Ortis and Mrs. Gordon Romanoff.

Unit 139 will celebrate its 50th anniversary Jan. 16, 1998 at the post home. Any member who has 50 or more years in the American Legion Auxiliary is urged to contact the anniversary chairman, Phyllis Moran, with information for the celebration.

Moran is also collecting pictures and other articles for a display at the celebration. Those who have anything that may be of interest, call Moran at 466-0480.



25th Anniversary

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Hancock County Chapter 1114 AARP are officers Bob Ortis, president, left; Cecil Painter, treasurer; Ed Crist, vice president; and Mary Gilmore, secretary.



Charter members

Charter members of the Hancock County Chapter 11145 AARP include Louise Gibbens, Cecile Galizan, Jason Kutech, Southeastern District director; Bob Ortis, president; Grace Bourgeois and Elda Louvier.

Hancock County
Republican Women

The monthly meeting of the Hancock County Republican Women's Club will be Thursday, Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Amant's Restaurant, 200 South Beach Boulevard, Bay St. Louis.

A buffet dinner will begin promptly at 6:30, followed by a business meeting of approximately 35 minutes. This will be followed by a newly formed monthly program, which will be an interesting and informative video, titled "The Clinton Chronicle." The buffet dinner, including tax and tip, will be \$8. Husbands are welcome.

It is important to remind all club members that the monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month.

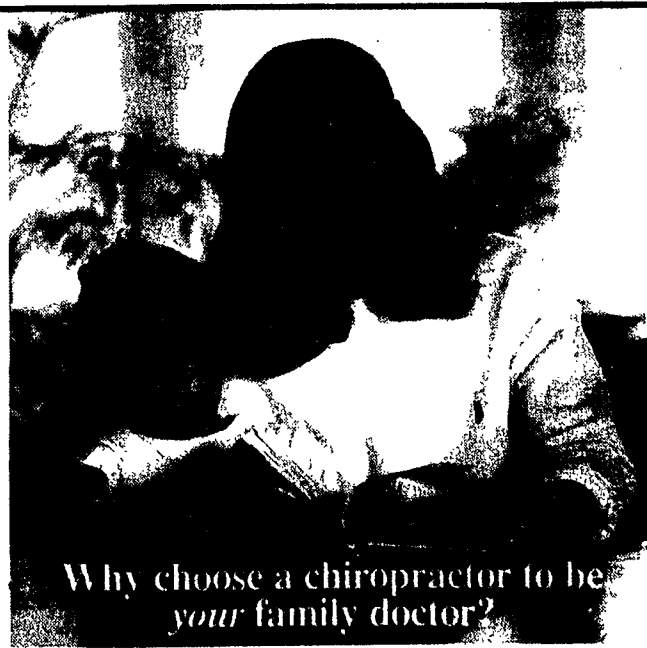
To accommodate members who are employed, one month meetings are in the evening at 6:30, alternating the next month with meetings at 11 a.m. Those who do not drive at night, phone Dottie Stepleton, and transportation will be arranged.

Membership drive: At meetings Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4, each current club member is asked to recruit one person to join the club. This can result in doubling the membership by Dec. 30.

Hancock
Women's
Club

The luncheon meeting for Hancock Women's Club will be at Jack's Restaurant in Waveland today. Members are asked to arrive at 10:30 a.m. Prospective members and guests are invited.

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Dr. Miguel Culasso, family practice specialist, will conduct a seminar entitled *Flu Shots and the Upcoming Influenza/Pneumonia Season* on **Thursday, October 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.** in the NSRMC Main Dining Room. Flu shots will be administered, free of charge, to the first 125 adults who attend the seminar. Shots will be given from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The seminar and the shots are free but registration is required; call 646-5014.

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Farm Bureau seminar

Hancock County youths, from left, Joshua Rhode, Casey D. Tolar and Ret Tolar attended the 27th annual Farm Bureau Safety Seminar at Roosevelt State Park in Morton. Almost 70 youth, aged 14-17, attended the four-day event July 21-24. The delegates participated in workshops for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), defensive driving and chain saw safety. They also took part in sessions on all-terrain vehicle (ATV) safety, gun safety and drug awareness. During the seminar, the youth held softball games, talent show and a male beauty pageant. The Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation began the safety seminar in 1970.

Scholarship money

There is now exciting news for students and their families who need financial assistance to help pay for skyrocketing college education expenses. Initiatives such as federal tax breaks for families as proposed by President Clinton will start to ease some of the burden but more importantly, there are an increasing number of new scholarship and grant sources available to students who take the time to locate them.

Currently there are nearly 400,000 independent and private scholarship and grant sources available which do not have to be paid back.

More than 80 percent of these scholarships do not depend on family need or exceptional grades but are awarded based on factors such as the student's interests, hobbies, academic focus, age, heritage or parent's work or military service.

The U.S. Department of Education has a program that encourages students to search out financial sources, the more chance they will receive financial aid.

It is vitally important for students who are now seniors in high school to start gathering information to identify sources that can assist them.

According to Kalman A. Chaney of Campus Consultants in a recent article in the *Wall Street Journal*, students "can increase their chances of getting financial aid simply by understanding how to process works."

"This means filling out the required forms, turning them in on time, and knowing how the information is evaluated."

Now, through the resources of the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA), an updated publication for 1997-98 is available which provides important detailed information to students seeking financial aid.

For information on how to receive scholarship money for college, trade school or graduate school, send a No. 10 self-addressed double stamped business envelope, plus \$2 to cover handling, to NAFA, 700 Greenland Road-Left, Dept. F7, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

By Kristy Cosby
PTO Publicity Coordinator

Bay Middle School is implementing many changes this year. Last year a new principal, Lily DeBlieux, was welcomed to Bay Middle. She is formerly from the Ocean Springs School District. Currently she is pursuing her doctorate degree in administration and graduating this December.

Bay Middle would like to welcome the following new staff members: Georgia Breland, Jenny Crowder, Susan Frewin, Nancy Gallop, Angela Gill, Kelly Heitzman, Renee Mauffry, Nancy Miller, Janell Moore, Kim Necaise, Ashley Plummer, Viveca Russell, Wilman Spiers, Nancy Throbridge and Melanie Whitaker.

Since last year Bay Middle has introduced many new projects and programs. The Teacher of the Month program allows that teachers have his or her own private parking space and lots of other surprises.

Bay Middle also has a newly painted gym thanks to volunteers from Stennis Naval Oceanographic Center, parents and teachers.

Enthusiastic teachers have painted and added a personal

touch to their classrooms. One of the most popular programs among students is "The Caught Doing Good." Anytime students receive one of these they are able to select a reward from Mrs. DeBlieux's office. Many students are being caught doing good.

School Spirit Day is another project underway. Every Friday students are encouraged to wear their school t-shirts to celebrate school spirit. The goal is to have all students to proudly display their motto, "If you can't run with the big cats, stay in the cage."

Students will also be rewarded every nine weeks for perfect attendance. They will receive special prizes or a party. This program is to encourage all students to come to school every day.

None of these events would be possible without the support of faculty and parents and the community.

The PTO is also receiving a lot of volunteers giving many hours of their time. DeBlieux would like to extend an invitation to all parents or interested parties to stop by and visit Bay Middle School.

USM grants degrees

Nearly 1,200 University of Southern Mississippi students received degrees Aug. 8 during the 1997 summer commencement at Reed Green Coliseum. Graduates from the area include:

Waveland
Harriet Bellone, master of education; Carolyn Cross, master of science in nursing; Brittany Ellis, bachelor of science; Julie Hling, bachelor of science in nursing; and Bonnie Rinehart, bachelor of science.

Pase Christian
Debra Smith, bachelor of science; Khanh Tran, master of business administration; Cheryl Walley, master of education; Stephanie Ritchie, bachelor of science; and Lori Griffin, bachelor of science.

Nicole Rodenbachs, bachelor of science; Anna Couey, ba-

chelor of science; Joan Dattel, bachelor of science; Michael Dawley, bachelor of science; Doris Flettrich, master of education; Cynthia Greenwood-Clark, master of education; Susan John, specialist in education; and James Reaves, master of education.

Bay St. Louis
Dorothy Stewart, master of education; Carol Wallace, master of science; Janeal M. McKee, bachelor of arts; Trian Platz, bachelor of science; Jean Scalfide, master of science; Patricia Corey, master of arts in teaching of languages; Richard Hill, bachelor of science.

Diamondhead
Ja-Net Louise Bonura, master of education; David Legros, bachelor of science; and Cassandra Spears, master of education.

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CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS BUDGET SUMMARY FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

	1996/97 ACTUAL	1997/98 BUDGET	GENERAL FUND	UTILITY SYSTEM	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS	FIDUCIARY FUNDS
REVENUES							
General Property Taxes	230,200	282,500	112,500		150,000		
Licenses & Permits	278,500	313,000	313,000				
Inter-governmental	2,075,047	2,287,500	2,287,500				
Charges for Services	2,830,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000			
Fines & Forfeitures	179,000	180,000	180,000				
Bond Proceeds	5,500,000	0	0				
Gaming Revenues	2,607,500	3,027,500	3,027,500				
Miscellaneous	243,400	254,200	174,200	80,000			
Non-revenue receipts	64,000	64,000		60,000			4,000
Beginning balances	7,795,950	10,588,164	1,221,100	1,149,557		8,213,045	14,482
Total Funds to Account for	21,603,597	20,076,864	7,315,800	4,379,557	150,000	8,213,045	18,482
EXPENDITURES							
City Council	76,271	81,418	81,418				
Chief of Council	33,121	35,145	35,145				
Judicial	140,405	148,980	148,980				
Office of the Mayor	102,538	133,821	133,821				
Department of Administration	702,511	1,018,554	725,340	283,214			
Fire Department	724,830	836,755	836,755				
Police Department	1,604,629	1,838,216	1,838,216				
Department of Public Works	3,324,908	3,841,712	1,770,158	1,871,558			
Debt Service	537,875	700,213	536,075	164,138			
Unemployment Compensation	3,000	3,000					3,000
Other	3,755,347	6,455,360	452,380	853,000	150,000	5,000,000	
Total Disbursements	14,945,207	14,642,874	8,358,286	3,101,806	150,000	5,000,000	3,000
Ending Cash & Investments	10,598,164	5,383,990	957,534	1,197,649	0	3,213,045	15,482
Total Disbursements and Ending Balance	21,603,597	20,076,864	7,315,800	4,379,557	150,000	8,213,045	18,482

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MUNICIPAL CLERK
CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS

Councilmember Rutherford moved, seconded by Councilmember Thriftley, to approve the budget for the Fiscal Year 1997-98, as recommended by the Mayor.

A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: Rutherford, Musan, Thriftley, Lamplay and Block

VOTING NAY: None

CITY OF WAVELAND Budget Summary For The Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 1998

	ESTIMATED ACTUAL - FYE 9/30/97	ALL FUNDS COMBINED FYE 9/30/98	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	ENTERPRISE (UTILITY) FUNDS
REVENUES							
General Property Taxes	413,498	636,845	337,125	174,720	125,000		
Licenses & Permits	216,411	216,450	216,450				
Inter-Governmental Revenues	2,128,212	1,582,368	1,532,368	50,000			
Charges for Services	2,400,084	2,498,400	209,100	15,000			2,272,300
Fines & Forfeitures	220,272	220,000	220,000				
Loan Proceeds	0	140,000	140,000				0
G.O. Bond Sale Proceeds	1,250,000	0					
Miscellaneous	22,759	15,700	13,200	1,000			1,500
Interest	94,232	68,500	10,500		8,000	5,000	45,000
Transfers In	1,207,515	542,040	483,875		58,165		
Sub-Total Revenues	7,952,963	5,916,301	3,162,616	240,720	189,165	5,000	2,318,800
BEGINNING CASH & INVESTMENTS	1,433,904	2,342,108	604,813	277,188	91,097	583,832	785,376
TOTAL REVENUES	9,386,867	8,258,407	3,767,429	517,908	280,262	588,832	3,104,176
EXPENDITURES							
General Government	492,125	534,029	534,029				
Public Safety	1,587,870	1,847,718	1,847,718				
Public Works	634,375	829,941	829,941				
Health & Welfare	95,482	123,668	123,668				
Culture & Recreation	180,832	480,387		480,387			
Debt Service	582,828	419,522			208,108		211,413
Capital Improvements	540,43					484,757	
Utility Funds:							
Administrative & General	1,519,906	854,461					854,461
Transmission & Distribution Expense	452,307	542,051					542,051
Treatment & Purification Expense	18,000	24,000					24,000
Garbage Collection	135,500	150,000					150,000
Pumping Operations	94,200	105,500					105,500
Transfers Out	1,207,515	542,040			58,165	93,875	390,000
Sub-Total Expenditures	7,044,781	6,928,074	3,336,356	480,387	288,274	588,632	2,277,425
PROJECTED ENDING CASH BALANCE	2,342,108	1,330,333	432,073	57,521	13,988	0	826,751
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	9,386,867	8,258,407	3,767,429	517,908	280,262	588,632	3,104,176

BY: LISA B. PLANCHARD
CITY SECRETARY

Note: The budget is available for inspection by the public Mon-Fri, 8:00 am to 4:30pm, at Waveland City Hall.

Walktoberfest, Americans walk for diabetes

This October, more than 500 area residents will gather at Jones Park, Hwy. 90, Gulfport. They will call their friends, neighbors and co-workers, gather sponsors and donations and slip on their sneakers to raise funds for the American Diabetes Association. They will walk together proudly as part of the 5th Annual Walktoberfest, Americans Walk for Diabetes.

Sponsored by the Mississippi Southern Farm Bureau, the Mississippi Affiliate of the American Diabetes Association, the Mississippi Gulf Coast

Chapter of the American Diabetes Association America's Walk for Diabetes will take place Oct. 4 at 8 a.m. The event is expected to raise \$20,000 for research to fund a cure for this serious disease.

"The money raised by Americans Walk for Diabetes will help fund research to find a cure and programs to improve the lives of people with diabetes," said LeBlanc. If you can walk, push your child in a stroller, travel by wheel chair, you can help save a life."

Sixteen million Americans —

including 184,000 in Mississippi, 1 in 15 on the Mississippi Gulf Coast — have diabetes. Each year, more than 625,000 Americans are diagnosed with the disease. It's the fourth-leading cause of death by disease in America, killing more people than AIDS or breast cancer. This year alone, more than 178,000 Americans will die from its complications.

For information, to sign up as a walker, sponsor, or volunteer or to donate, call the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-254-WALK (9255).



Steering committee

The steering committee of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter of the American Diabetes Association met recently to discuss the Walktoberfest to be held Oct. 4, 8 a.m. at Jones Park, Hwy. 90, Gulfport. Hook, with the Mississippi Sea Wolves, will start the walk. Those attending the meeting were (from left) Lisa Rogers, Joseph Perkins, K. C. Arnold, Joan McCleary, Doris Payne, John McCleary; bottom row, Mary Fountain, Milton LeBlanc, Frances LeBlanc, Wayne Beatly, Mrs. Wayne Beatly, and Diane Koontz.

Community health programs featured at SMH

Slidell Memorial Hospital is offering the following health-care seminars and screenings during October?

Screening Mammograms Special: Women aged 40 and over should have regular mammograms according to their physician's recommendations. SMH is offering screening mammograms for \$49 (regularly \$69) during the entire month of October, including the radiologist's interpretation. Call 649-8585 for an appointment. Physician's order is required.

For Men: The Latest in Laser Hair Removal: Oct. 1, 7 p.m., free in the SMH Medical Office Building Conference Rooms A & B. Elizabeth McBurney, MD, will introduce Soft-Light's advanced approach to hair removal without tweezers, harsh chemicals or needles and answer frequently asked questions. Call 648-0044 to register.

National Depression Screening Day: Oct. 9, noon, free, in the SMH Women's Resource Suite. Constance Romero, MED, individual and family therapy, and David G. Romero, MSW, SMH clinical social worker, will offer free confidential screening with advice on coping skills and treatment.

Call 646-0044 to register.

Label Logic Supermarket Tour: Wednesday, Oct. 22 at 10 a.m. and Oct. 23 at 6 p.m.; fee is \$20 per person. Learn how to read product labels and select nutritious food items during a tour of Albertsons conducted by Sheree Parker-Ruffino, SMH registered dietitian. Bring a calculator and wear comfortable shoes. The tour lasts 1½-2 hours. Call 646-0044 to register and for more details.

Free Senior Adult Eye Screening: by David F. Slagle, MD and Keith L. Sehon, OD, Oct. 1, 9-11:30 a.m. in the SMH Medical Office Building, 1051 Gause Blvd., Ste. 480. Call 649-0206 for information.

Prostate Screening for Men Over 40: Oct. 7, 9-11 a.m. and Oct. 23, 1-3 p.m. in the SMH Medical Office Building at the Urology Center, Ste. 440; \$10 for the PSA Test.

The screening consists of a digital rectal examination and prostate specific antigen (PSA) blood test. Appointments are required. Call 649-6660.

Kidmed Screenings: Monday-Friday, the SMH Pediatric Office, 1337 12th Street. Kidmed features head-to-toe physical and developmental (Denver) screenings, lead

screening and immunizations for children from infants through 18 year-olds. Available by appointment only. Call 649-8775.

TEAM Med Injury Clinic for High School Athletes: SMH Wellness Pavilion, 501 Robert Blvd. SMH Sports Medicine Clinic Medical Director Brian Fong, MD, orthopedic surgeon, and the certified athletic trainers of TEAM Med offer a free weekly clinic for high school athletes to assess and treat sports-related injuries. Call 847-9355 for dates and times for the clinics.

ProAge MallWalkers: Mondays-Saturday, 8-10 a.m. at North Shore Square. The free program provides aerobic exercise through walking for anyone interested. Register any morning at 8:30 a.m. in the Food Court area. Call 645-2955 for information.

SEAMAN JONES

Navy Seaman Recruit Michael L. Jones, son of Stanley J. and Mary F. LeBlanc of Bay St. Louis, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

He is a 1997 graduate of Hancock High School.

Participants wanted for Walk

Walkers and sponsors are needed to participate in the Great Strides Walk, a walk to further the research and finding a cure for Cystic Fibrosis.

The walk will be held Saturday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in Hiller Park, Biloxi.

There will be door prizes, food, drinks and free t-shirt for all participants.

All proceeds will go to Cystic Fibrosis research.

To be a sponsor, team leader, walker, or for information, call Teresa Sanson at 385-1789.

A few facts on Cystic Fibrosis:

One in 2,000 babies are born with Cystic Fibrosis, the most common inherited disease in Caucasians. Cystic Fibrosis produces abnormal mucus in the respiratory and gastrointestinal tracts which causes major complications in the patients.

Extensive personal care by caregivers is essential and even

with the best care, frequent hospital admissions due to various lung infections and death at an early age is almost always the outcome.

In newborns, the symptoms may include:

- thick sticky stool, which

may cause an intestinal obstruction

In older children:

- poor weight gain despite good appetite
- chronic cough
- foul smelling stools
- salty sweat

Epilepsy support group

Memorial Hospital at Gulfport will sponsor a new epilepsy support group beginning with an organizational meeting Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Classroom Trailer C/D at the hospital's main campus.

The meeting will be open to

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A representative from the state chapter of the Epilepsy Foundation will be available for questions. Call 865-3421 for more information.

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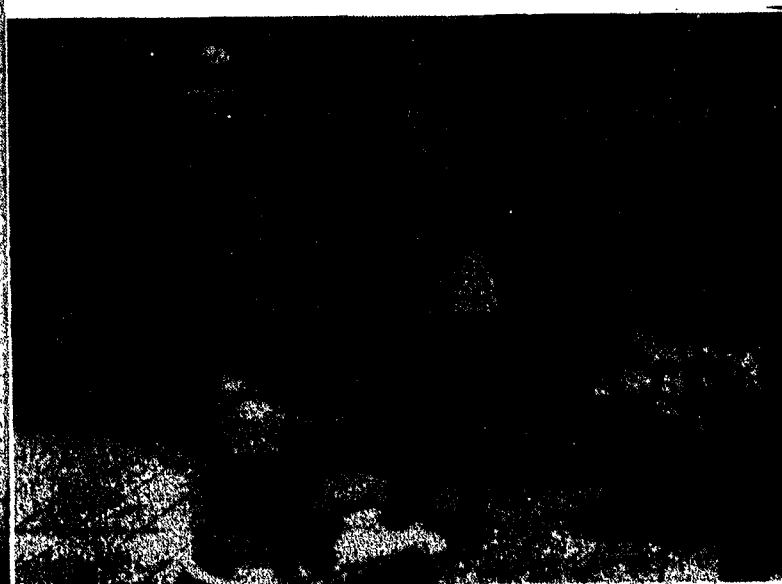
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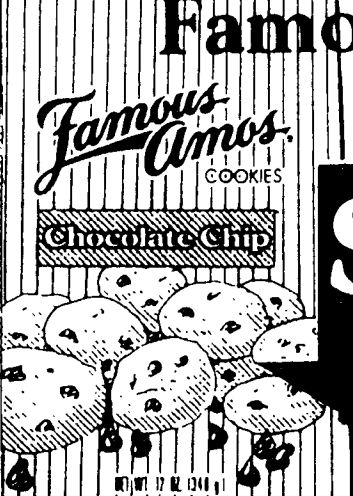
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The "WORD" for the Week

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Most of us are very polished in making excuses. It's one way we deal with our feelings of guilt. It can happen at the office or at home. But the story is the same. We do something wrong. Our consciences hurt.

During my plebe (first) year at West Point, we learned to say, "No excuse, sir!" We were never to cover for ourselves but always take our medicine. The same is true with our relationship with God. We want to make excuses because our consciences bother us. Conscience is the voice of God in us. We need to pay attention to the voice of conscience. We dare not ignore it by making excuses.

We know when we do something wrong, when we lie, when we steal, when we indulge in sexual sins. Our consciences bother us. The Bible says, "To the one who knows the right thing to do, and

Excuse me!

does not do it, to him it is sin" (James 4:17). In other words, when our consciences have been violated and they hurt, we have sinned. On the other hand, we don't have to make excuses. When we trust in Christ as the one who died to pay the due penalty for our sins, guilt is removed. We are cleansed. The Bible tells us the blood of Christ washes and renews our consciences (Hebrews 9:14).

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VFW Auxiliary cancer aid funds top \$3 million

VFW Auxiliary Cancer Aid and Research raised \$3,130,867 for this fund, making this the 9th consecutive year that monies have topped \$3 million.

Some 6,114 grants totaling \$2,513,000 were given to cancer-stricken members. Three \$25,000 postdoctoral fellowships were awarded to researchers at Yale University, West Haven, Conn.; Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, Wash.; and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y.

\$75,000 was donated to institutions such as the University of Illinois Medical Center and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital for research. \$401,644 was returned to the state auxil-

aries to be awarded locally for research and \$10,000 was given to the American Cancer Society for educational materials.

Mississippi Department President Marie Ward appointed Dean Oliver of Biloxi and District President Margaret Fuller appointed Noreen Baker of Long Beach as chairmen to this most important project.

Auxiliaries sponsor many events throughout the year to raise money for the aid and research of this dreaded disease.

Cancer does not care who it hurts, attacks or kills. The VFW auxiliaries fight by funding research and education everyone about early detection.

Gulfport reunion

Gulfport High School Combination Class Reunion 1950 through 1959 is set for Saturday, Oct. 11 from 8 p.m.-midnight at B. Frank Brown Gymnasium.

Music will be provided by The Nite Riders Band. Cost is \$15 per person and is elegantly casual.

All GHS graduates and faculty, 1950 through 1959 are invited to attend.

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1959, Lydia Werby, 863-9741, or Johnny Hatten, 864-5577.

Alternative communication

A workshop covering augmentative and alternative communication for infants and toddlers is set for Sept. 29 and 30, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the West Harrison County Civic Center, 4470 Espy Avenue in Long Beach.

Topics to be covered include:

- Discuss augmentative and alternative communication systems.

- Learn the evaluation process.

- Experience a hands-on communication lab.

- Various computer software

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- Various levels of communication devices.

- Explore types of funding sources.

Similar material presented on both days. Day one focuses on information for families, schools and day cares. Day two focuses on information for home health personnel, therapists and medical providers.

Workshop and training manual are free or charge, sponsored by Mississippi Developmental Disabilities Council.

To register, call (601) 867-1433.

Scharp wins pageant

Shannon Michele Scharp, formerly of Bay St. Louis, daughter of Roger and Gay Scharp of Layton, Utah, and Billy and Sandra Rhodes of Bay St. Louis, placed first in the 1997 Miss Hawaiian Tropics Beauty Contest Aug. 22 at Club H2O in Ogden Utah.

Scharp will now move on to compete in the Miss Hawaiian Tropics International Pageant held in Hawaii Nov. 11-16 where she will be one out of three representatives from the state of Utah.

She will be representing the city of Ogden and Club H2O.

Scharp is a former honor student and graduate of Bay High School. After an early summer school graduation she attended the University of Southern Mississippi where she was a member of the Dixie Darling dance team for two years. She now resides in Layton, where she is working and attending Weber State University.



Shannon Scharp

She will be competing with more than 200 contestants from all over the country. Scharp had many family members in attendance for her victory in Utah, and her parents will be attending in Hawaii.

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Sometimes, we are not aware of how those close to us are affected by our various situations. Our loved ones are concerned with our well-being and we have a responsibility to them and to God, to take good care of ourselves. Our gift from God is our life, and our gift to God should be to take care of our temple.

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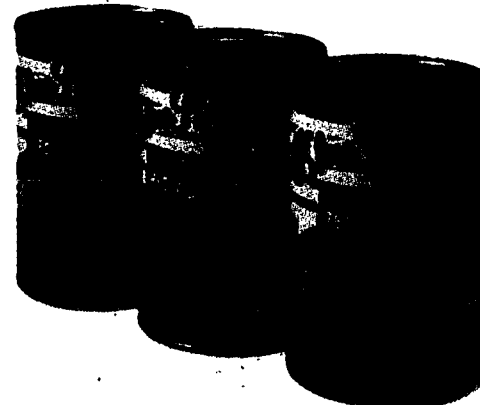
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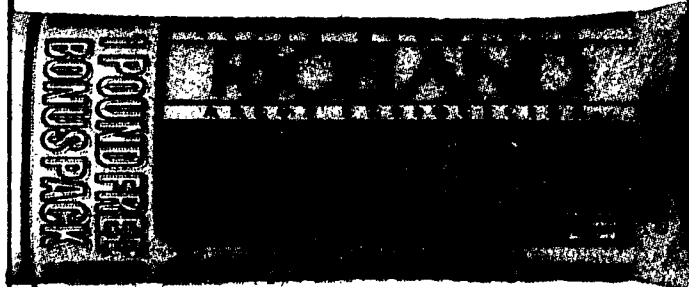
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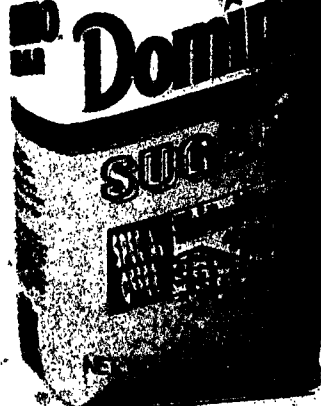
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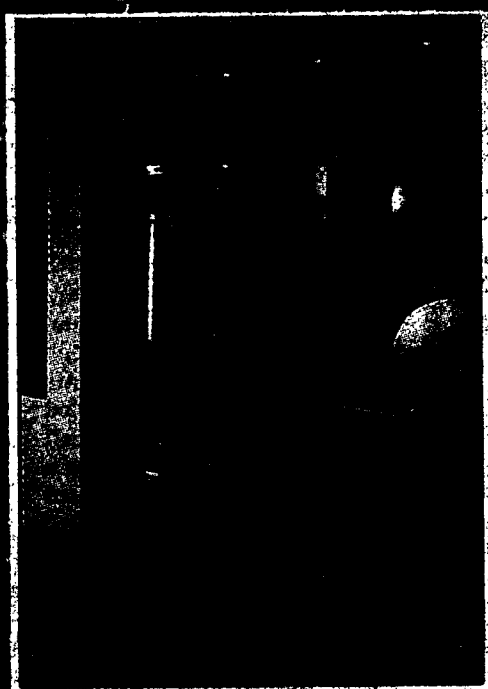
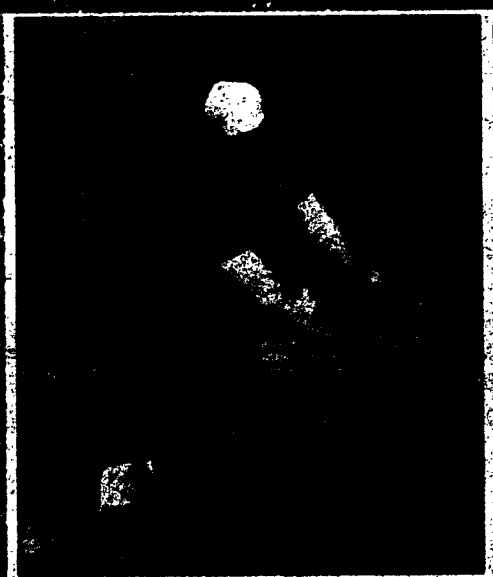
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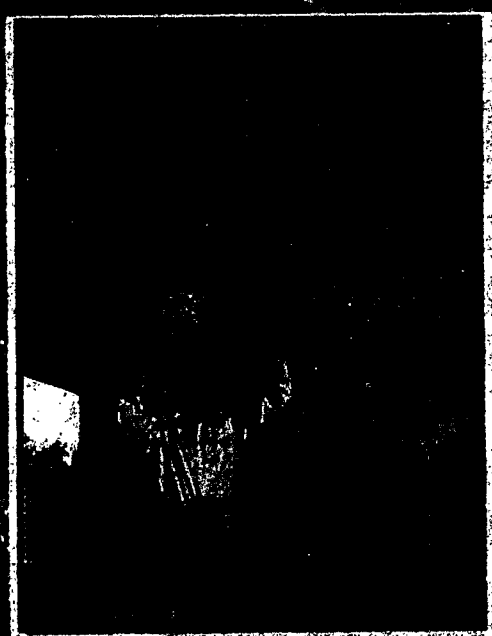
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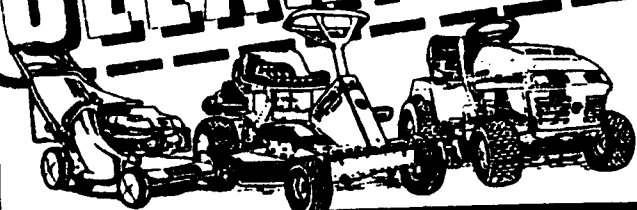
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A foyer floor welcomes guests with a sunburst medallion in an array of multihued hardwoods. A branch with leaves the colors of fall foliage dresses up the floor of a kitchen, drawing the eye to the center of the room. An intricate walnut border frames the oak floor in a grand dining room.

These are but a few of the design possibilities with an inlaid hardwood floor. According to the Hardwood Manufacturers Association (HMA), a national trade group, this luxurious home accoutrement is becoming more affordable thanks to advances in technology.

Once the domain of the hammer and chisel, inlaid floors now can be designed with computers, and the wood pieces cut with lasers. The result is an affordable custom feature that combines a work of art with the practicality, durability and beauty of a solid hardwood floor.

"I think it makes a room look a lot more expensive, with very little extra expense," says Mary Beth Hughes, ASID, an interior designer from Wheeling, W.Va., whose clients choose inlaid solid hardwood floors because they remind them of the grand houses of a century ago. "Many of the old

homes had beautifully inlaid floors, and it kind of recalls people's memories of those houses."

Thomas D. Osborn, an inlaid floor designer/installer in Holyoke, Mass., says decorative inlays are becoming more popular because they are a unique way to reinforce a design theme.

"A good inlaid floor really adds to the room and makes the entire space work," says Osborn, who creates his original designs from such hardwoods as ash, maple, red and white oak, and birch.

An inlay will fall into one of three categories:

- a field, in which the inlay

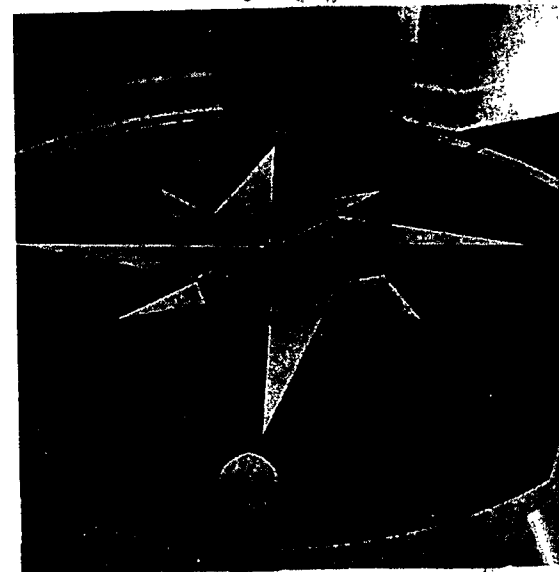
is the entire floor and serves as the dominant feature of the room. One of Osborn's projects was a giant compass that dominated a hallway in a seaside home.

- a border, which outlines a floor.

- a set piece, which is an inset design covering a smaller area than a field. A set piece might be used for a dramatic effect in an area like an entryway.

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Decor touches for fall

As fall approaches, thoughts turn inward. You begin to think of feathering your nest for cozy evenings by the fire after an invigorating day of raking leaves or a long walk along a country road flanked by crimson- and burnt-orange-leaved trees. You embrace images of simple living in a charming, welcoming home.

There are many affordable ways to add warmth and charm to your home, according to Melanie Wood, vice president of design for flooring manufacturer Mannington and president of the Color Marketing Group. Several cans of paint, a few yards of fabric or a simple rearrangement of furniture can quickly transform a home into a new, more comfortable place to love.

Even small touches, like rearranging personal collections of teapots or wall sconces, or bringing out the rich-colored table linens or cleverly placed baskets of fall leaves and berries, can add a look of warmth and conviviality to a room or dining table.

Take a fresh look at your furniture arrangements, advises Wood. It often helps to actually clear the room of furniture and put pieces and accessories back in different ways to create a whole new feeling. You may want to concentrate on several conversation areas, rather than just one. Use a bookshelf, some artwork, or an imaginative arrangement of hung and standing photographs as a main focus for a comfortable seating area.

A warm color on the walls often can set the stage for creating coziness for the winter months ahead. Soft, warm butter or gold tones lend a glow that provides the perfect backdrop for a few favorite things arranged in a new and exciting manner. You even can be adventurous and sponge one or

more walls with a combination of several shades. Consider a combination of the butter yellow and a soft, yellow-green or pale terra cotta. The effect can be very dramatic and give a room an instant look of age and significance.

Think about replacing outdated or worn flooring. The Mannington Impressions Collection patterned, inlaid, sheet-vinyl designs have a soft, almost carpetlike appearance that instantly warms up a room. This is an especially good choice for kitchens, baths and family rooms, where other flooring surfaces, like tile, can look and feel cold, especially during the fall and winter months.

Unexpected arrangements and accessory groupings are always a good idea for the months you spend indoors, repeatedly taking in and enjoying your surroundings.

Ideas include: pine branches, old bird's nests, dried flowers, and various sized and textured spheres on bookshelves or as part of an arrangement on a carved step stool; scattered leaves on stacked books in woven baskets; a fun garden statue or relief plaque cleverly placed; jars of summer fruit innovatively arranged on a kitchen shelf or counter; a new, funky lampshade; or a change of drapery brackets.

Folk art, decorative plates and hand-painted pottery all become one-of-a-kind collections when arranged on a wall or shelf. Children's artwork and family photographs, which are always unique, add warmth and character to a room if framed and matted nicely and grouped together.

It is also at this time of year that you think of sprucing up your surroundings for the holidays ahead. Add seasonal touches, like a tall glass vase full of pine cones or holly twigs. Put out more candles, or

change candle colors to the warmer reds, berries, golds and forest greens. Tie festive velvet or metallic ribbons around candleholders, vases and even interior statuary.

Consider perking up the overall look with a few yards of fabric draped at the windows and covering toss cushions on the chairs and sofas. Plaids and checks are particularly warm and inviting for the cooler months. Old tablecloths, tea towels and handkerchiefs also make interesting window treatments and pillow covers — loaded with charm and nostalgia. Transform the bedroom by changing bed linens with richer, thicker bedspreads and pillow shams.

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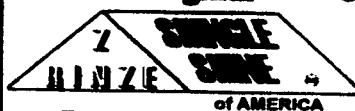


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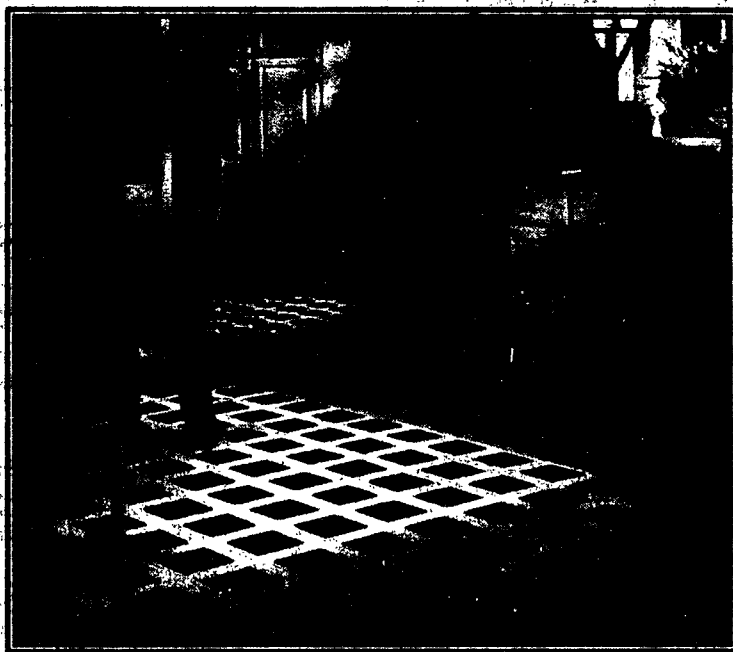
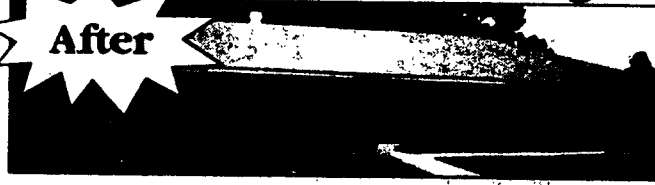
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By Norman Winter
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Nandinas are among our very best shrubs for fall and winter color, and the next few weeks hold great planting opportunities.

Sometimes called heavenly bamboo, nandina indeed appears somewhat exotic. It is actually in the barberry family.

Our ancestors planted the old-fashioned nandina domestica which is still outstanding. You can't find a better nandina for berries, which are almost as pretty for fall color as the leaves on the newer varieties.

To keep this nandina most attractive, prune about one-third of the canes each winter. If you select the tallest canes, it is not too hard to keep the plants fairly compact.

Four dwarf varieties have captured the lion's share of the market and are indeed well worth having in most landscapes.

My favorite is the Harbour Dwarf. It branches from the ground and forms a dense mound two to three feet tall and slightly wider. It has a reddish-purple color in the winter and will fruit at maturity.

Nana Purpurea was the most popular for years because of its outstanding color. It gets about 18 inches tall and is great as a border plant or massed in a bed. Personally, I have never gotten accustomed to its cupped, slightly distorted looking leaves.

Fire Power, which originated in New Zealand, does not have the foliage distortion of the Nana. Fire Power grows to about one to two feet in height and has a dense, compact growth habit. The color that develops toward winter is a fluorescent red.

GulfStream is a great variety with good winter color that is intensely red and in the summer almost looks a metallic blue-green. It grows to about 2-1/2 feet tall in a compact mound.

Successful establishment of nandinas in the landscape often depends on planting techniques and care. They prefer to be placed in a shrub bed which is well-drained to moist, loose, nutrient- and humus-rich. Cover with a layer of mulch added to prevent loss of moisture, deter weeds and moderate summer temperatures.

When preparing a new shrub bed for nandinas or other fall planted shrubs, use metal edging, landscape timbers or brick to separate turf from beds and to raise the soil with organic matter for good drainage.

Try to plant in bold curves and avoid planting in straight lines whenever possible to create a mystery as to what lies around the curve. Use three to five basic plants that you repeat in other parts of the landscape. Plant in groupings of odd numbers live seven, nine and 11.

Nandinas work best as colorful foregrounds to taller evergreen plants like hollies, ligustrums and cleyera. You also can create a spectacular look using them in combination with ornamental grass.

The fall and winter colors of the nandina are so bold and riotous that sometimes it is hard to plant flowers with them. This is one time where massing your flowers of a single color is most needed.

For winter or early spring color, plant pansies with the

nandinas. My favorites to use with these boldly colored shrubs are the Crystal Bowl blue, and Crown or Crystal Bowl yellow pansy. The blue perennial creeping phlox or Louisiana phlox also work well.

For the rest of the year, we can use them as a background for pockets of color in the summer with petunias, verbenas or ageratum.

Remember when buying shrubs this fall, if the pocket-book is tight, buy larger, container-grown shrubs and smaller trees. It might seem expensive to buy three and five gallon shrubs, but you will not need as many, and you are more likely then to plant at the correct spacing.

Ecology field trip

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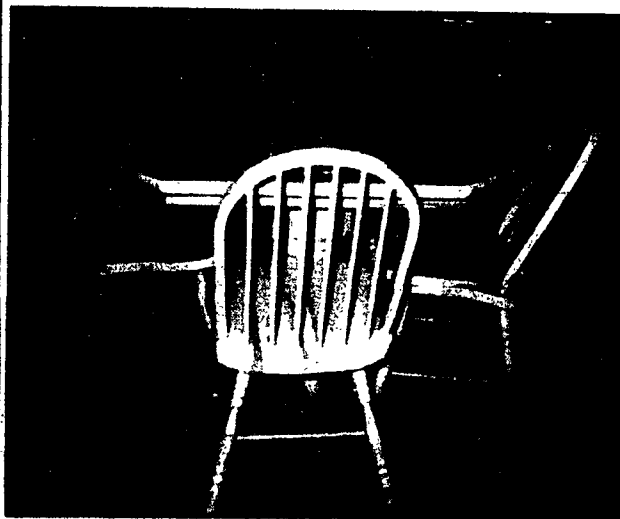
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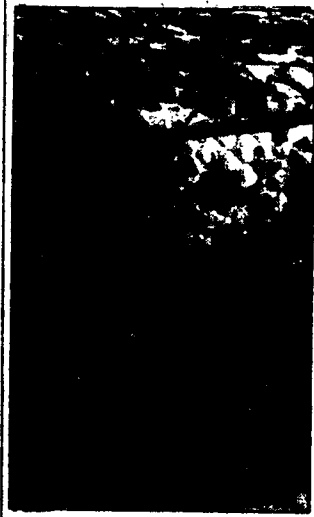


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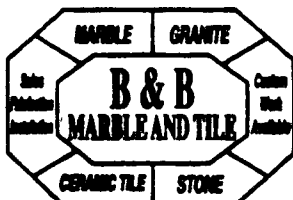
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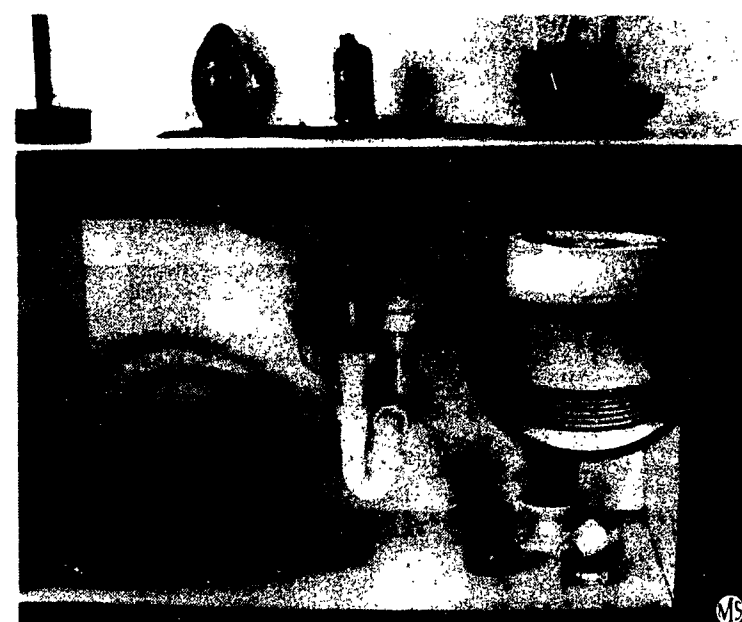
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Much of what we learned doesn't fit today's needs. The old rules dictated regularly scheduled scrubbing of everything under the roof, and perfection was the goal. "The New Rules of Cleaning" give you freedom to throw away time-consuming habits and encourage less vigorous activity on a more flexible, forgiving schedule. So, if you want to feel good about cleaning, you just might have to break the rules.

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New Rule No. 2: Clean when it's needed, not when "scheduled."

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New Rule No. 3: Seize 60 seconds.

Consider cleaning a work in progress. A few minutes of cleaning here and there really do add up. Break down big jobs so they can be tackled a bit at a time.

New Rule No. 4: Make it a family affair.

If everyone pitches in, cleaning will be faster and maybe even fun. To encourage family harmony in housework, try these ideas:



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- Let family members select chores that are most appealing to them.
- Learn that "good enough" is good enough.

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Easy tips for adding value to your home

Before months of frigid weather and mounds of snow barricade your home from view, take time to prepare your house for the onslaught of winter.

Do-it-yourselfers all across the nation check their roofs and clean out gutters before the winter months. However, if

you want to go one step further, consider sprucing up your home with easy-to-install urethane millwork products.

Along with the satisfaction of upgrading the look of your home, these products don't warp, rot or decay. This means that when the snows melt away, you won't be starting your spring thaw-out by replacing chipped and rotted wood pieces. And, urethane millwork by Style-Mark also adds curb appeal to your home — which can translate into added value in the long run.

Value Tip No. 1 — Start with the front door. Add height and elegance to the exterior of your home by replacing wood decorative pieces with urethane millwork products. Customize doorways with fluted pilasters, a ram's head, or peaked cap or acorn pediments for added grace and style.

This warm, welcoming look can be installed in one week-end. All Style-Mark urethane millwork products have a closed cell structure that prevents water penetration and absorption, so you can install your door surrounds confidently, knowing you'll enjoy them for years to come.

Value Tip No. 2 — Look at — not through — your windows. Keystones, dentil trim, half-round and sunburst pedi-

ments, decorative arch molding, and window crossheads are available for all sizes of windows. These lightweight pieces go up easily and stay up for the lifetime of your home.

Value Tip No. 3 — Don't forget the garage. You enter through this door every day, so why not make your arrival a welcoming experience?

Easy-to-install fluted pilasters and a door crosshead can make entering your home more enjoyable. And, if your garage faces the street, this is an essential way to improve the overall look — and value — of your home.

Value Tip No. 4 — Look up, and trim down. Add classic crown or fascia dentil moldings beneath gutters and eaves to enhance the appearance of your home. The overall look of your home can change substantially just by putting some finishing touches of molding on top of your siding and below the eaves.

Value Tip No. 5 — Look at every nook and cranny for home improvement opportunities. Accent a bay window or a gable by adding fishscale panels made of urethane millwork. These brushed cedar-looking molded shake panels interlock and overlap end to end and top to bottom for high performance and durability.



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When to choose laminate, vinyl or wood flooring

Whether it's whitewashed, natural pine, honey-toned, walnut or mahogany-colored, wood is a great look for cabinets, bookcases, end tables, coffee tables and especially floors. Today, with the proliferation of real and faux patterned wood flooring choices, consumers have even more opportunities to choose the right warm wood look for their homes.

According to Stuart Beattie, flooring manufacturer Mannington's vice president of styling and design, the company offers wood flooring looks from its wood floors division, its resilient floors division and now its new laminate floors division. This means that if you love the look of wood in all its wonderful variations, you can have it in any room of the house, from kitchen and living room to bath and recreation room.

Beattie says having various flooring surfaces that offer complementary wood looks is a real design coup that consumers should use to their advantage. Wood floors are beautiful in any room of the home, but certain areas require very specific needs for performance and maintenance.

For instance, have you always wanted the casually rustic country decor of your home to extend to all rooms, but feared that the wood floors you love in your hallways, den and living room would be the floors you agonize and sweat over if they were in your kitchen and family room? Or, do you have trouble duplicating the elegantly traditional look of your formal dining area for your kitchen and everyday eating area? Does the look of ceramic in bathrooms feel too cold and out of sync with the rest of your home's decor, but wood seems unthinkable for the bathroom?

Laminate flooring is a great choice in areas where a high-style flooring surface that's durable enough to allow for ultimate livability is needed and when cost is an important factor (laminate flooring is typically less expensive than real wood). Laminate is also an ideal alternative in regional areas where weather extremes might mean unpredictable expansion and contraction of real wood. Faux wood vinyl patterns, which are also hard to tell from the real thing, are

a good choice in areas where moisture and comfort underfoot are primary concerns.

You may even be able to find the same wood design and color for all three surfaces, if a totally harmonious visual field is desired. And, you can mix wood species and colors to match or contrast cabinetry and furnishings for additional design interest.

"To end up with the right flooring for the right application, give each room in your home the endurance test," suggests Beattie. What primary activities, planned (eating, cooking, bathing, family games, studying, television watching or computer using) and occasionally surprise (spills, dropped objects, etc.), take place? Is traffic heavy or light, two-footed or four-pawed? What is your family's lifestyle — sedate, moderately active or rambunctious? Most importantly, how long do you want to spend taking care of your floor, and how long do you want your flooring to look great?

Once you know the answers to these questions, you'll have a better idea of the flooring type — laminate, vinyl or wood — you should be considering

for each room. If you still have questions, a flooring specialty retailer should be able to help direct you to the right choice.

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Secrets for selling your home

Knowing the 10 most critical items to fix before you put your home on the market can result in earning thousands of extra dollars, claims consumer advocate and author Bob Easter. Certain items bring a larger return than others, and some items really don't cost any money.

All home sellers make costly mistakes when selling their home, and Easter is quick to point out those crucial errors in his book, "The 14 Home-Selling Secrets, The Mistakes Everyone Makes" (\$14.95 from 1-800-848-5593). The No. 1 mistake is overpricing, and Easter explains with great care how to price your home to sell quickly, yet receive the highest price possible.

Judy Rose, Detroit Free Press, says, "The 14 Home-Selling Secrets' is the best little straightforward house-selling book we have seen ... It's full of gems of inside information. Easter tells you what any seller should know."

Two mistakes owners make is that they:

1) list their home with the agent who quotes the highest sale price. The agent knows the owner already has an emotional attachment to the property, along with a predetermined and unrealistic price. The agent throws out a high

listing price, and the owner signs.

2) sign a listing agreement without protecting their interest. Listing agreements are written to tie the owner to the company without giving an accounting of the exact services.

"If you fail to demand certain actions from the broker before you sign the listing agreement, you lose all of your rights and power," says Easter, who also wrote "Home Buying Power: Inside Tips, Tricks and Trends for Buying the Home of Your Dreams" (\$12.95).

"Learn how to get top dollar for your home and discover

how to buy a home without falling into at least five hidden traps. Paying too much is one pitfall home buyers must learn to avoid," says Easter.

To receive the free checklists, "The 10 Critical Items to Fix Before You Sell" and "The Top 10 Tips Before You Buy," send a self-addressed envelope with a 55-cent stamp to Bob Easter, Author, 4212 Lostridge Drive, Suite 660, Austin, TX 78731-1306. For book orders only, call 1-800-848-5593, or send a check. Add \$5 shipping/handling for single orders. You can order both of Easter's books for \$29.95 (including shipping).

Dry air, not cold, causes discomfort

Even if you hate winter, you shouldn't blame the cold for all of the discomfort you feel when the temperature drops and frosty winds begin to howl.

"Dry indoor air is actually to blame for many of the little discomforts that people blame on the cold during the winter," says Sean McCarthy of Research Products Corp., maker of Aprilaire® humidifiers. "People incorrectly associate everything from rough, itchy skin and frizzy hair to mild nosebleeds with cold winter weather. The real culprit is superdry indoor air that steals the moisture from everything it touches."

During the winter, McCarthy explains, your home literally can become drier than Death Valley, with a relative humidity in the single digits. The good news is that there are things you can do to prevent or minimize some of these uncomfortable conditions.

- Use moisturizing ointments immediately after bathing to lock moisture in, paying special attention to problem areas on hands, face, knees, elbows and feet.

- Apply a thin film of petroleum jelly around the inside of

each nostril at bedtime to protect the tiny nasal capillaries from dry-air damage.

- Install a whole-house humidifier with an automatic humidistat that will keep indoor relative humidity in the comfort zone. Most experts, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, recommend maintaining relative humidity in your home between 30 percent and 50 percent in the winter.

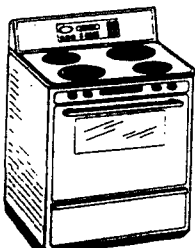
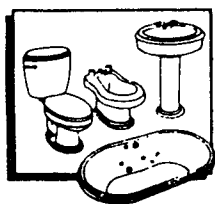
Some symptoms could be a sign of something more serious than dry air. If you have tried all of the suggestions and still suffer from skin rashes or mild nosebleeds, you should see a doctor, McCarthy says.

For more information about how to maintain proper humidity in your home, call the Consumer Information Department of Research Products Corp. at 1-800-545-2219. Ask for the free booklet "Facts on Humidification." Or, see the company's page on the Internet at <http://www.aprilaire.com>.

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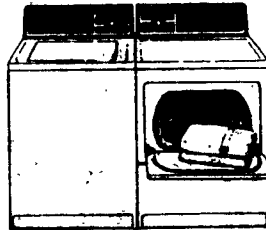
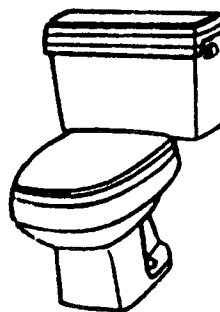
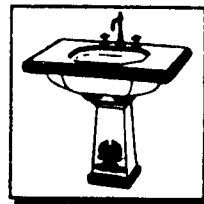
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The procrastinator's checklist

Summer is over, and the days of lying by the pool are gone. It's time to get back to work, and if you're like most people, you've put off a few fix-up jobs. With winter coming, they can't be put off any longer. So, here are four P's for the procrastinator:

PLANNING

You've waited this long; don't blow it by jumping in too fast. Take a little more time now to do some planning, and you'll save a lot of time in the long run. Plus, it is the only productive way to put off getting started.

Planning doesn't mean you have to start from scratch, though. Take advantage of the hard work of others by reading about similar projects in magazines like *American How-To*, *Today's Homeowner* and *The Family Handyman*. These publications feature step-by-step instructions, are written by experts, and often give timesaving hints you won't get from your neighbor or the guys at the lumberyard.

Another great resource is the Internet. Lots of how-to information is available on magazine Web sites, as well as from manufacturers. For bigger projects, like replacing doors or windows, check out the Marvin Windows site (<http://www.marvin.com>). For innovative new products and techniques, Builder Online (<http://www.builderonline.com>) has great information and links to other resources.

PURCHASING

You can't do the job right with the wrong tool, and since cheap tools never save anyone time or money, you might as well buy quality tools to begin with. Some of the better tools on the market will last forever (or near enough), and there have never been so many innovative tools from top manufacturers that are designed to cut corners safely and efficiently.

The biggest time-savers to come out in recent years have been the cordless tools. Whether you're tackling a major job like building a new deck or you just want to drive a few screws to reinforce the railing on the old one, a cordless drill or saw can't be beat for speed and convenience. Now, manufacturers are developing power-tool accessories that work with these products to save time, too.

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PERFORMANCE

Even the best do-it-yourselfers will blame their tools, but in the end, once you've thought things through, got some tips and picked the best tools for the job, it's up to you. For extra help, however, make sure the tools you use are ergonomically designed to fit your hand as well as possible and reduce the amount of effort you need to use them.

This is particularly important with repetitive-action tools like hammers and hand-saws. A poorly designed saw will strain your hand and put pressure on your wrist and elbow joints.

PREPARATION

One of the biggest time-wasters is making repeated trips to the hardware store. Make a list of not only the items that are part of the project, but the other things you'll need to do the work. Little things, like a carpenter's pencil, a sturdy rule and extra fasteners, will really help. A good work surface, whether it is your tool bench or just a couple

of sawhorses, is important and helps you to work more safely.

When using power tools, always have someone to hold the work in place securely. If you're working alone, get some good clamps, that can be used safely with just one hand.

Saving time is great, but only if you're working safely. Make sure all of your tools are

in good operating condition before using them. Not only can rusted, damaged tools cause injury, but you'll probably end up damaging whatever you're working on, too. Use goggles and gloves, follow these tips, and you'll have that project done before the snow flies.



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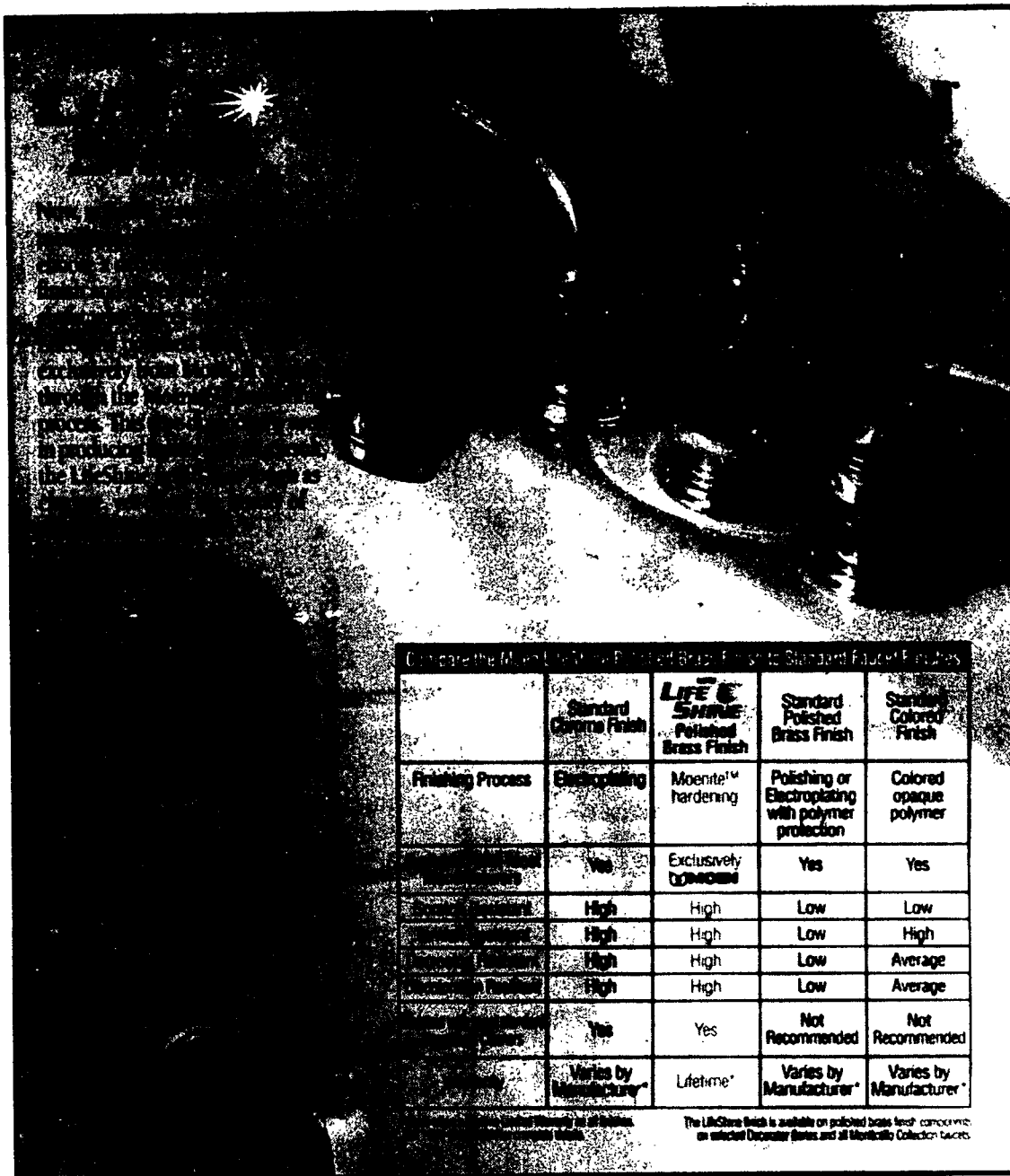
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New choices among favorite hollie

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Red Holly hybrids are a new group of hollies noted for their deep burgundy color on new growth. These are all seedling selections from the Mary Nell variety.

Hollies are some of the very

best shrubs or small trees for the Mississippi landscapes. They come through as troopers in the coldest of winters. Then when azaleas wilt in the hottest summers, hollies stand firm.

I continue to be partial to Fosters, Nellie R. Stevens and Mary Nell, and yaupon hollies because they have stood the test of time. But the Red Holly hybrid group has really caught my attention.

Red Hollies have about the same cultural requirement as the Nellie R. Stevens and are hardy throughout our state. They perform well in full sun to partial shade and in well-drained, slightly acidic soil.

The first red-leaved holly is named Cardinal. It reaches a height of 14 feet and a spread of eight feet. Cardinal is a bold textured, large, female evergreen shrub. As it matures, the limbs sweep toward the ground in a classic pyramidal form.

This variety is equally as cold-hardy as the Nellie R. Stevens hybrid, and is most similar to Mary Nell. Its landscape advantages are the classic holly growth habit, maroon new growth and an abundance of large red berries.

Festive reaches a height of 12 feet and spreads eight feet. The dense, medium-sized evergreen shrub has spiny, stiff foliage that is dark green and shiny. Festive can easily be maintained as a tightly sheared pyramid for a small garden accent.

Oakleaf is the most upright plant in the series. The foliage is emerald green and similar in shape to an oak leaf. It reaches a height of 14 feet with a spread of eight feet. This holly is very cold hardy and should be used as a tall hedge or large specimen.

Robin reaches a mature

height of 14 feet with an 8-foot spread. It produces lovely, large, dark green leaves with new foliage that is predominately maroon. This female cultivar produces abundant berries.

Robin is equal to Nellie R. Stevens in cold hardiness, but is expected to grow taller. It can be used best in pyramidal form or as a hedging.

Little Red reaches a height of 10 feet with a 6-foot spread. It is the smallest of the Red Hollies, and can be maintained easily as a specimen, full foundation shrub or medium hedge.

You can see Little Red planted at the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Stations in Poplarville, Crystal Springs and Verona. The young plantings will be evaluated at these sites for several years.

Hollies are great backdrops for seasonal color like pansies, chrysanthemums, kale and cabbage, and other shrubs like barberries or gray-leaved junipers.

We are now entering the best time to plant hollies, as well as other trees and shrubs. As temperatures start to cool, plants have the opportunity to get well established before next spring.

One thing is certain--hollies in the landscape, whether used as a backdrop or as a specimen loaded with bright red berries, are one of the very best shrubs or small trees for any home.



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Ecological benefits put metal roofing on top

Q: I'm looking for a roofing material that is environmentally friendly. Is metal roofing a good option?

A: Yes. Metal roofing is quickly gaining popularity with many of today's homeowners, who are concerned about the environmental effects of conventional roofing products. Removing an old roof and burdening a landfill with its disposal is expensive and wasteful, especially since some conventional shingles need to be replaced every 10 years. On top of that, new oil-based or wood roofing shingles use up valuable natural resources.

Metal roofing has advantages that can prevent these ecological dilemmas. First, metal roofing lasts far longer than composition and wood shingles, practically eliminating the need to reroof. In fact, some metal roofs from the late 1800s are still in use. Second, select metal roofing products can be applied directly over the existing shingles, preventing the mess of a traditional tear-off. Finally, the best metal roofing products are manufactured from post-consumer recycled metal for a truly environmental choice.

Q: Won't a metal roof make my house hotter in the summer?

A: It depends on the metal. Steel will absorb and transfer the heat of the sun, but not all metals do. Aluminum, for example, reflects radiant heat; that's why NASA uses aluminum to shield satellites in space, where there's no atmosphere to scatter the heat of the sun. One metal roofing manu-

facturer had its aluminum roofing product, Rustic Shingle, tested by the Florida Solar Energy Center. The center found it to reduce attic heat gain by up to 34 percent more than traditional roofing materials. This can add up to big savings on your utility bills. If you decide to use a metal roof that is not aluminum, you will need to install a radiant-heat barrier in your attic to get any energy savings.

Q: The flat "industrial" look of metal doesn't flatter my house. Are there alternatives?

A: You are describing "standing-seam" roofing, named for the vertical seams that stand up between the panels. And, yes, there are many alternatives. Most popular are the products that look like wood shakes, tile or slate. These profiles offer a traditional, stately appearance with all the benefits of metal roofing.

Q: How will I know that I'm buying a quality metal roof?

A: A quality metal roof will have a Kynar® finish, known to architects and engineers as the best for lasting color and

protection. Also, a metal roof should be designed to allow for expansion and contraction caused by temperature changes.

Want to know more about metal roofing and its benefits? Write to Metal Roofing, Classic Products Inc., P.O. Box 701, Piqua, OH 45356.

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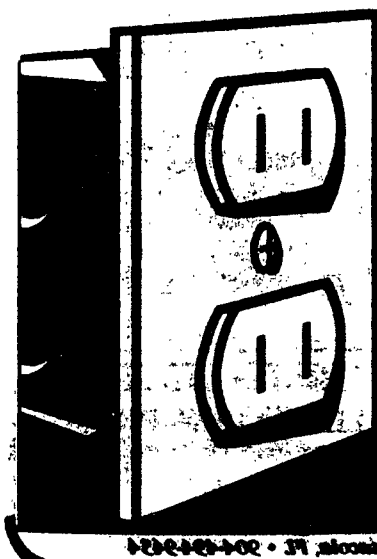
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Sawdust-wax firelogs burn cleaner

Independent studies* show that manufactured sawdust-and-wax firelogs burn cleaner than firewood. When burned according to instructions, manufactured firelogs ignite quickly and burn completely — emitting very little smoke and less pollution than traditional firewood.

You can see for yourself how clean manufactured firelogs burn: Light a sawdust-and-wax manufactured firelog, like Duraflame, in your fireplace. After 15 minutes, or once the log is fully aflame, go outside, and look at your chimney.

What will you see? Very little smoke coming from your chimney.

The following night, light a fire with traditional firewood, and notice the difference. (Or, ask a neighbor to burn traditional firewood at the same time — on the same night that you burn a firelog.)

A 6-pound Duraflame firelog will produce an equivalent fire of 12 pounds to 15 pounds of firewood:

- with 87 percent less visible smoke,
- releasing 69 percent less particulate matter into the air,
- emitting 88 percent less carbon monoxide.

Not only a good fireplace fuel for the environment, Duraflame firelogs eliminate the mess of cleaning up the hearth after starting a fire with traditional firewood.

These firelogs are UL-approved for use in zero-clearance manufactured metal fireplaces and are suitable for use in all types of traditional open-hearth fireplaces. They are also an Accepted Product of the Chimney Safety Institute of America (CSIA), a nonprofit research and education foundation.

CSIA has acknowledged

independent research which shows that manufactured firelogs, like Duraflame, produce substantially less creosote than natural firewood. Creosote accumulation is the leading cause of chimney fires, according to CSIA.

*Test conducted by Applied Environmental Inc., Phoenix, Ariz., 1997, and SAIC/OMNI, Beaverton, Ore., 1993.

Annual chimney checkup

Energy-conscious consumers of the '90s have created a market for homes with extra insulation against drafts and cold weather. Airtight construction, however, means home heating systems are often starved for oxygen, so fuels do not burn completely — increasing the risk of carbon-monoxide poisoning, according to the Chimney Safety Institute of America (CSIA).

Less air coming into a home also means limited pathways for air to exit, making the proper functioning of chimneys and venting systems critical. A blocked, damaged or improperly sized chimney also can result in carbon monoxide being forced back into the home.

No matter what type of venting or heating system is in the home, CSIA urges homeowners to have their system inspected annually by a professional chimney sweep — before the winter heating season — to ensure it is in safe and proper working order.

In 1993, there were 214 deaths and 5,700 injuries due to carbon-monoxide poisoning caused by solid-, liquid- and gas-fueled heating equipment, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. That number does not include victims who were either misdiagnosed or did not seek medical attention.

A carbon-monoxide detector can warn of potential poisoning after the deadly gas has entered the living area, but an annual "checkup" for a chimney and venting system can help prevent carbon monoxide from entering the home altogether.

An annual inspection by a CSIA Certified Chimney Sweep® is a small cost that can deter the danger of carbon-monoxide poisoning — or even fire. These chimney sweeps are knowledgeable in the codes, clearances and standards for the construction and maintenance of chimneys and venting systems. They are retested for current codes and standards every three years.

Established in 1983, CSIA is a nonprofit, educational foundation dedicated to the elimination of chimney fires, carbon-monoxide intrusion in homes, and other chimney-related hazards that result in the loss of lives and property. For more information on venting and chimney safety or a list of CSIA Certified Chimney Sweeps in your area, contact CSIA, 16021 Industrial Drive, Suite 8, Gaithersburg, MD 20877; 1-800-536-0118. Or, visit the CSIA Web site at <http://www.csia.org>.

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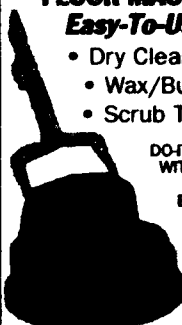


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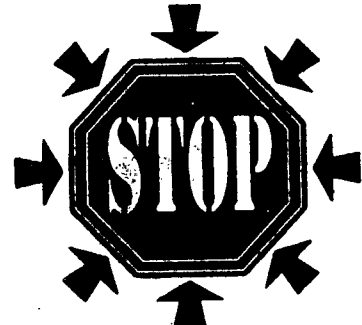
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Winterize Your Yard to Bounce Back Fast Next Spring

Ready to head indoors for winter? Wait! Your lawn and garden need you now more than ever. Enjoy those Indian summer days getting your yard cleaned up, winterized, and ready to bounce back and "green up" better than ever next spring. What equipment do you need? You'll be pleased to hear it's no different from the machines you used all spring and summer. Here are some hints:

TAKE CARE OF THE BASICS

If you're pressed for time, first take care of the basics. Your lawn is the largest single part of your yard and makes the biggest impact on visitors and passers-by. If you only can do one thing for your yard this fall, make sure your grass is at its best when it faces winter weather. First, mulch grass clippings and fallen leaves to feed grass. Then, dethatch to let oxygen reach the roots. Finally, baby your lawn with one last manicured cut before the cold sets in.

MULCH FOR HEALTHIER, GREENER GRASS

Mulching is an environmentally friendly and convenient way to care for your grass. It eliminates the need to rake and bag clippings and reduces the need for fertilizer. During mulching, grass clippings are cut and recut into tiny particles that fall into the soil, where they decompose quickly, feeding the lawn with rich nutrients. The clippings also provide the lawn with a slight protective covering against winter. Use your mulching mower on fallen leaves if they are dry and in a relatively thin layer. Repeat this process on the last two or three mows of the season for best results.

One of the country's best-known brands in lawn care, Scotts, has extended its line of grass fertilizers and seeds to include power equipment. Scotts tractors and walk-behind mowers all convert quickly to mulchers, with no tools used, from either bagging or side discharging.

If you're shopping for a good mulching mower, look first for a deeply drawn deck to create the best suction. This design creates an airflow that stands grass up for cutting, then keeps grass particles in the air so that they can be recut by the blade into finer particles. Also, look for one that converts easily

to mulching and offers the latest features for comfort and convenience.

CHOOSING A MULCHING TRACTOR

For a large yard (half an acre and more), you'll want the power and comfort only offered on a tractor. Consider the size and grade of your lawn. Large, hilly lawns will require more horsepower. Timesaving features, like auto drive, add convenience and speed to the process of mowing. Scotts tractors also can give you upper-end features, like a diagnostic dash that constantly monitors performance and contains an exclusive digital service meter and automatic drive with cruise control, that make them as easy to drive as a car. Auto drive has a foot pedal that lets you quickly change forward and reverse speeds without clutching.

These tractors are powered by Briggs & Stratton engines and also boast two solid beams of steel that undergird the frame, making it tough and trucklike. Ergonomic design and a standard quiet package mean the time you spend mowing will be more enjoyable. All features let you get the job done quickly while increasing performance and durability. Scotts tractors all come with mulching capabilities. Grass baggers are available on the 42-inch and 46-inch models. They range in size from 15-horsepower 42-inch cut to 20-horsepower 50-inch cut and range in price from around \$1,400 to \$2,400.

"We've designed this product line from the ground up with features found only on high-end premium tractors, like John Deere and Cub Cadet. It has been created for 'boomer'-aged consumers who are moving to a

midlevel tractor. It has the refinement, attention to detail, and extra bells and whistles they prefer," says product spokesperson Steve Richman.

MULCHING WITH A WALK BEHIND

Smaller yards can be handled easily by a walk-behind mower. Scotts walk-behind mowers have the industry's deepest decks for superior airflow. A single-lever height adjustment adjusts the height of the cut on all four wheels simultaneously, and reversible mulching blades double the life of the blade. Three versions of Scotts 6-horsepower 21-inch mower are available, ranging from \$169 to \$469. All Scotts tractors and mowers are sold at Home Depot stores nationwide.

Another brand to look for in walk-behind mowers is Murray, one of the best-known brands in outdoor power equipment today. They offer a selection of five value-priced mowers that were developed after market research showed that consumers wanted smaller, more maneuverable mowers. The resulting products are great for today's more densely populated neighborhoods, because they are lighter and smaller. Murray's 20-inch Rear Bagger walk-behinds are balanced and easy to maneuver, yet powerful enough to offer superior mulching. An integrated mulch plug eliminates the need for a separate mulch plug, so there are no extra parts or tools needed. The mulching chamber is automatically sealed when the rear bagger is not in use. A rolled steel edge on the deck improves that all-important airflow. Prices range from \$179 to \$317 at retailers nationwide.

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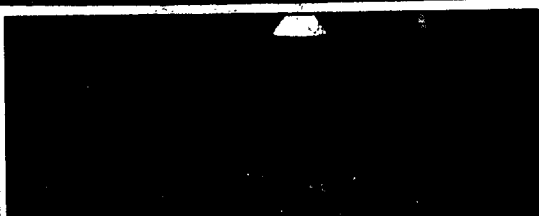
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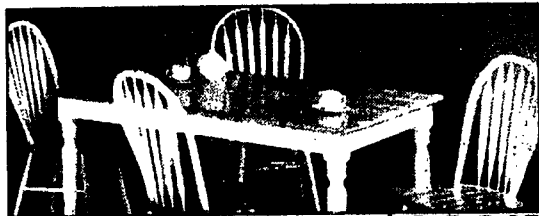
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